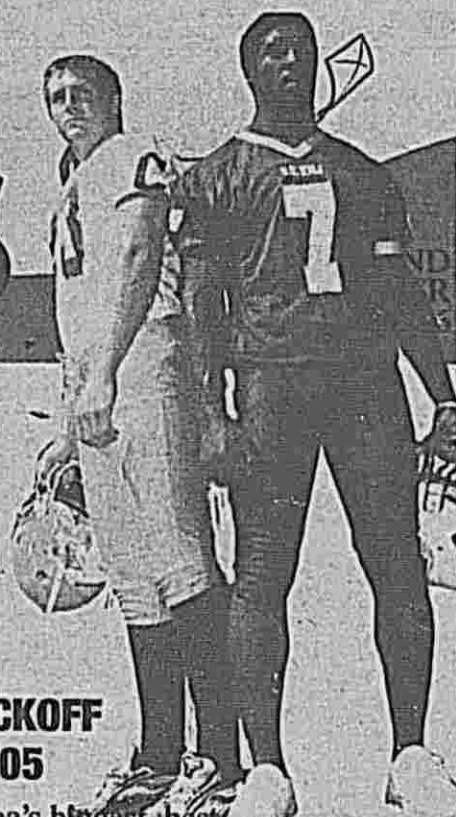




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*As teams play fast and loose with rules,
over \$3K raised for Lake Villa fields*

By Brenda Balin

Special to Lakeland Newspapers

Some would say it was a foregone conclusion. Some might call the entire winning team "ringers." But winning and losing take a lower priority when playing for the kids.

Nevertheless, in the final round of the Sixth Annual Lake Villa Cross-Town Classic Invitational Tournament the Lake Villa Baseball League Board (including coaches) emerged as the first place winners for the second consecutive year.

Coming in second, with a score of 3 to the baseball board's 5, the Lake Villa Township "Cabooses" showed their mettle throughout the day.

They beat out the formidable

Tim Osmond Family team, which made it all the way to third place, and trounced the Antioch team with a devastating score of 25-0.

Antioch barely survived the "Horses' Butt" contest, leaving the infamous honor to the Lake Villa Fire Department, which was eliminated by both Antioch and Fox Lake right at the start.

Fox Lake did not fare much better, coming in sixth in the field of eight contenders.

Fifth and fourth places were held respectively by the Village of Lake Villa and the Village of Lindenhurst. Police played on village teams, along with trustees, employees and park district and public works officials.

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Photo by Theresa Scarbrough

Matt DeMartin, of Antioch, playing for the Osmond Family, runs to first base safely after pitcher Randy Wood, of Lake Villa throws the ball to first baseman Jon Hertz, of Lindenhurst, both playing for Lake



Photo by Theresa Scarbrough

Amanda Henry is training to run for the Chicago Marathon this coming October on the side streets of Antioch near her home. Not just to beat the odds of the race she is running to raise money for the Leukemia-Lymphoma Society.

She runs for her father's life

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

Amanda Henry of Antioch has made a vow to run in a marathon once a year to raise money for the Leukemia-Lymphoma Society for research, until there is a cure. Her motivation is a good one and she made the vow after her father was diagnosed with non-Hodgkins myeloma, one of the cancers in this group.

"I'm going to do it once a year until there's a cure. I was taking his (her father's) diagnosis pretty hard. I got a brochure that explained I could challenge it," she said. "This has been like my way of coping, and now it's my passion."

Henry, 25, said her father is doing pretty well and he will be able to watch her run and cheer her on

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* Osmond explains how the state budget was balanced during the last session

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

State Representative JoAnne Osmond (R-Antioch) spoke to the Antioch Chamber of Commerce last week about how the governor was able to pass the controversial state budget at the session that ended May 31.

Gov. Blagojevich (D-IL) had promised not to raise taxes during his election campaign and therefore couldn't follow that path. However, the budget was essentially balanced by borrowing money from the Illinois State Teachers pension fund.

Originally no representatives were in favor of using the teacher's retirement funds, Osmond said.

Thirty-five percent of the money in every fund was taken, she said.

"The Democrats were called into Mike Madison's office and the caucuses asked for a pork project in exchange for a positive vote," Osmond said. "There are different parts out of the budget."

The votes to approve the budget came from Chicago and Latino areas, Osmond said. "He's not trusted by both sides of the aisle."

"We have a lot of strange bills this year," Osmond said. "There was one school pension fund in Illinois

that wasn't touched and that was the Chicago Teachers' Fund."

Just as the entire spring session was not spent on the budget, Osmond also expanded on a variety of topics. She explained some of the Senate Bills that were approved in this past session. For example Senate Bill 58 will allow for school districts to train teachers for first aid and CPR on an Institute Day.

Osmond said another good bill that was approved, and the governor said he would sign, is one to



Osmond:
Discussed
newly-passed
state budget

limit malpractice payments to \$500,000 for an individual physician and to \$1 million for hospitals. She said Illinois is losing doctors to other states because they can't afford to pay their medical malpractice insurance.

Osmond said the insurance for an Illinois obstetrician costs \$85,000 a year, but in Wisconsin it would cost only \$35,000. Lake Forest Hospital has lost some

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Rob Wieska stands in front of the many die-cast collectibles for sale at his shop, The Racer's Edge Racing Collectibles in Lake Villa. The shop was opened in 1995.

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Driving success

NASCAR shop offers racing collectibles

By Kathy Gresey
Staff Reporter

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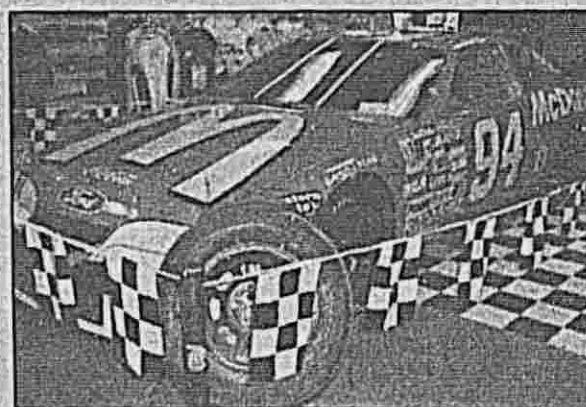
The Racer's Edge Racing Collectibles was founded in 1995 by Wieska and fellow fan Don Luporini. Wieska runs the 2,400-square-foot superstore in Lake Villa's Crossings Plaza.

"The shop has everything for true NASCAR fans," said Wieska. "Fans can shop literally one of the nation's largest inventories of racing related products as well as view authentic memorabilia."

The store houses driver and team uniforms and actual sheet metal from real Winston Cup and NEXTEL Cup cars. Over the years, the store has hosted numerous special events including autograph sessions with NASCAR champion Matt Kenseth and NASCAR legend Dave Marcis.

A vast selection of officially licensed NASCAR products sets The Racer's Edge apart from other retailers. It offers a large collection of limited edition, investment quality die-cast collectibles from Action, Team Caliber, Revell Collection and 1320, inc.

It also features an incredible selection of authentic trackside apparel from Chase



One of the larger items on display at The Racer's Edge Racing Collectibles in Lake Villa. The shop sells all types of authentic racing memorabilia.



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The store offers gift certificates and sells its items on the Internet.

Wieska said the store is great for real fans who love to collect and support their racers.

"The people that collect love to collect," he said. "True fans are very loyal. They support their driver and their driver's sponsor."

The Racer's Edge takes the checkered flag when everyone else is in the pits.

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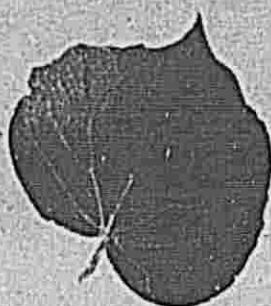
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Antioch Rotary Club supports charitable organizations

As an organization that contributes to the community, the Antioch Rotary Club has donated money this month to four not-for-profit or charitable organizations.

The Rotary gave \$500 to Ducks Unlimited Greenwing; \$200 to the PM&L Theatre; \$500 to the Miller Farm Ride for the cure for breast cancer and \$250 to the KC Cabin-Open Arms Mission.

These donations were in addition to those given last month. Those donations included \$1,500 to the Timothy Osmond Memorial Fund and \$550 to the Open Arms Mission.

The club earns the money to make these donations mainly by holding a pork chop dinner and auction on the first Saturday in October, which is Oct. 1 this year.

Tickets are available at the State Bank of the Lake, Osmond Insurance, First National Bank Employee Owned and Travel By Design, all in Antioch. They cost \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door.

- By Ginny Skweres

Sabatino takes closer look at mascot

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

Although Antioch Community High School has not received any complaints regarding its logo or mascot, Superintendent Dr. Jay Sabatino suggested the school board study the historical aspects, and has put together a committee.

"We need to acknowledge the historical aspect," Dr. Sabatino said. "I'd like people to consider a mural with the school's history on it."

Principal Mike Nekritz said he's had some people volunteer to be on the committee.



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Let's go to the movies

*Antioch Theater
reminiscent of good
old days*

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

In spite of videos, DVDs and home sound systems, movie theaters are still flourishing. The big screen and the excitement of other people can't be simulated.

The Antioch Theater is nearly an anachronism, a throwback to a simpler time. It brings back fond memories for adults and creates new ones for children. However, the single movie theater seems to be one of a vanishing breed.

The Antioch Theater offers one movie at a time, occasionally two, and all are first-run movies. Tickets cost \$4 for adults and \$2 for children and seniors. Before 6 p.m., everyone can get in for \$2.

Scott Dehn has been managing the theater since December and Cindy Kottke, of McHenry, is in the process of buying it. Kottke also owns the McHenry Theatre, and Dehn runs that one as well.

Dehn thinks it's important for a family to be able to do things together. Some of the higher-priced multiplexes can be out of reach for some families.

Dehn has worked hard to make the theater child-friendly. The lobby has been painted in bright colors and redecorated. There are chairs with cup-holders on the main floor.

Before the show begins, the manager of the theater acts as a master of ceremonies. He keeps the children involved by asking five or



Scott Dehn, manager of the Antioch Theater, has added a number of personal touches that keep the movie-going experience special.

six trivia questions about the upcoming movie. Those who have the correct answer win a prize.

Another unique feature at the Antioch Theater is free refills of popcorn and drinks. Since most people don't want to leave the movie and risk missing something, Dehn has a solution for that as well.

"Every 15 minutes we go up and down the aisles with refills, and people flag us down," Dehn said. "We try to take advantage of being small." However, with 270 seats that's probably larger than some of the theaters in the multi-plexes.

The theater is also unique because it is one of dwindling numbers that has a balcony, and that is a very popular place.

"The balcony fills up first. The younger they are, the more they want to sit there," Dehn said.

Dehn selects the movies from eight to 10 movie studios, and since he has opened, he has had only one

R-rated movie.

"The very first 'R-rated' movie was The Amityville Horror, and that's because it was shot in Antioch," he said. "It was cool to see the restaurant I eat lunch in."

"The people came two or three times to catch the things they missed he first time," Dehn said. "This is the one movie people stayed after the movie to see all the credits. People never stay, but they wanted to see a mention of Antioch. It was disappointing that the town wasn't mentioned."

After one more week of "March of the Penguins," the next movie will be "Corpse Bride" for two or three weeks. That will be followed by "Wallace and Gromit" for two weeks in October. "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" will be featured beginning Nov. 18.

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Antioch bus driver is tops

Out of all the school bus drivers in the entire state of Illinois, Antioch School District 34 has the best. Not one of the best, mind you, but the best, the number one driver in the state.

Bus driver John Kochopolus participated in the two-day School Bus Rodeo and beat every other driver in the competition.

He went on to compete in the national competition, the cream of the crop, and came in 39th out of 114 entrants.

"The competition at the nationals was nerve-wracking, hot and humid," John K. said. The margin of error was cut down from four inches to two inches.

"There are a lot of good drivers out there. It's not just a body driving other bodies," he said.

"Our department has an excellent safety record," Superintendent Scott Thomas.

"Probably not too many teachers would put 60 kids in their class and turn their backs on them, and a bus driver does it every day," Vicki Cullenin said. Congratulations John K.

Hurray for the beginning of school. No, not for the parents, for the students.

Each student is starting out with a clean slate. Now is the time to decide what type of experiences you want and what grades you want. If you do that and keep it as a real goal, not wishful thinking, you might just surprise yourself. Think positive.

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Hurray because it's time to see old friends again and meet new ones. Be nice to the new kids and at least say hello. New kids should go to school with a smile (no, not a geeky one), rather than with a chip on their shoulder. See above.

For those of you who have not been downtown near Main Street and Orchard Avenue, the northeast corner has a new appearance.

The village had received some complaints about the stone and debris that some found offensive.

The village contacted the property owner and asked if some improvements could be.

Mayor Dorothy Larson said the property owner cleaned up the property and put down some dirt, and was happy to comply.

Congratulations go out to Carol Van Treeck of Antioch whose quilt was accepted in the national Quilt Expo Quilt Contest. Her quilt, titled "Feathered Refractions: Two by Two" will part of 246 quilts in the competition. The Expo will be Sept. 15 to 17 in Madison, Wis.

If you have interesting information or anecdotes to submit for "Our Town" call staff reporter Ginny Skweres at 847-223-8161, ext. 154 or e-mail, ginnys@lakelandmedia.com

CRYSTALS FOR A CURE



Photo by Ronilyn Mussard

Fran Groff of Antioch and Bunny Thelan buy jewelry from Heather Braden of Waterloo, Wis. to raise money for the American Cancer Society during the Relay for Life at Lakes Community High School in Lake Villa. Groff lost her husband, Ken, to cancer two years ago, and Thelan lost her husband of melanoma last year.

Dog bite sends man to hospital

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

John Wallace of Lindenhurst and his dog Chesterton went over to a neighbor's yard on Aug. 18. The neighbor and a friend were talking about some fishing they had done. Wallace's neighbor gestured with his

hands that a fish had been "this big."

Without provocation the dog bit the neighbor in the groin area and the Lake Villa Rescue Squad came to the scene.

Rescue personnel said the Lindenhurst man had sustained a serious bite to one of his testicles, and was taken to Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. He was treated and

released but bed rest was prescribed.

The Lake County Health Department was notified and they required Chesterton be confined for 10 days. This is not the first time the dog has bitten someone. The Health Department will follow-up with the case.

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Grayslake North elects booster club reps

By Kathy Gresey

Staff Reporter

The Grayslake High School Booster Club elected three new officials to represent Grayslake North. Candi Gerfin and Lisa Hendrickson will be North co-presidents and Sherry Ridge will be North treasurer.

A meeting of the booster club executive board was recently held to discuss start up funds for the North campus, which is holding

its second year of classes.

It was decided that \$5,000 of seed money would be given to the North campus booster club so that it could get started. In addition, the booster club will provide 25 percent of all concession profits throughout the year from all athletic programs in which the concession stand is open. North parents will help staff the concession stands.

The agreement excludes the booster club's annual Hoops Fest fund-raiser, which will be discussed at a later date.

Several booster members will also join President Mike Sledz in making suggested changes to the club's constitution this Saturday. The new constitution will include wording about North.

A Web site linked to the main school district's site is also in the works.

Sledz hopes that a Web site will make it easier for parents to get involved. It might also include the Hoop Fest's tournament schedule and results, he said.

Parents, legal guardians and other

adults interested in supporting the athletic programs of Grayslake high schools may become active members of the booster club. Active members may be any parent or other community volunteer adult who works to support the Grayslake High School Rams Athletic Booster Club.

Grayslake North and Central Community High Schools are in District 46.

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CROSS-TOWN

The real winners are the youngsters who play on the "fields of dreams" in Lake Villa. The event raised more than \$3,000 for field improvements.

Last year's fund-raiser helped provide the new lights that now illuminate all four fields.

Although the fire department made a poor showing on the field, they made a great one for the fields, donating \$500.

On behalf of the Lakeland Wildcats, Lake Villa's first girls' softball team, the Dykstra family donated \$100.

The remainder of the proceeds came from the gate, with about 250-300 paying customers, the concession stand, 50-50 raffle and the celebrated "ball drop."

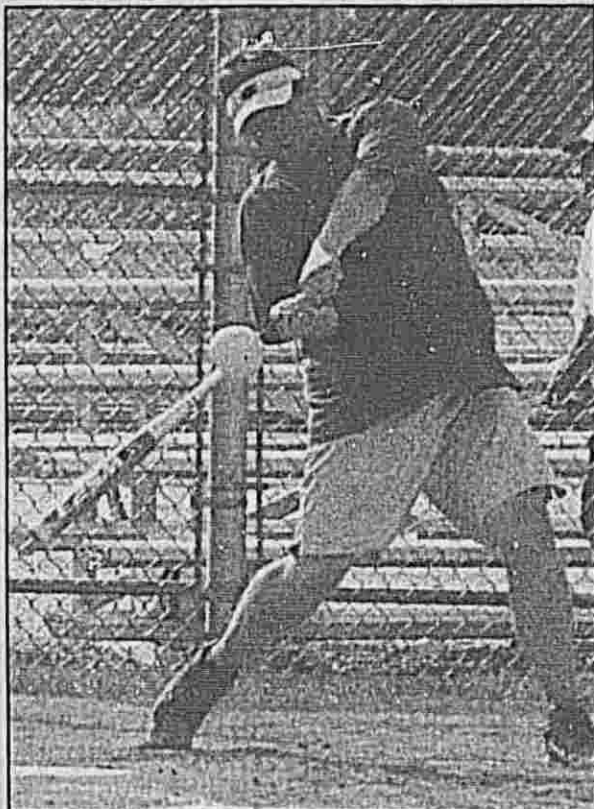
Linda Domel won \$150 in the "50-50 raffle, and returned \$80 to the league, before even counting it.

Lake Villa Police Department's school resource officer, Mike Lill, won the ball drop. His ball landed within inches of second base, garnering \$500 and a ride in the helicopter, piloted by Al Antoni, of Falcon Precision. Lill returned \$150 of his winnings to the ballpark.

The games got off to a slow start, as it took three hours for Glenn McCollum and his crew to clear water off the fields following the heavy early morning rain.

Once underway, however, sparks flew.

As Bill Burns provided color commentary, teams engaged in the usual round of "trash talk."



Photos by Theresa Scarbrough

Chris Parker, of Antioch, playing for the Osmond Family, takes a swing at a pitch in the fourth inning.

A lot of it centered on some "bending" of the tournament rules. The alleged author of the rules, Rich Coles, seemed at ease himself. "I thought we allowed girls to use mits," he

said, when challenged on the point. The published tournament rules forbid the use of gloves, but a few of the women on a couple of the teams did use mits.

The "spousal equivalent" exception was tested, as well, although no one really seemed to care whether a team's "spousal" members were all legally wed or something in the general vicinity.

Rachel Catalano, girlfriend of "Cabooses" member, Steve Shetsky, insisted she had been dating Shetsky long before the tournament was an issue.

Purple-clad Fox Lake Mayor Cindy Irwin and Lake Villa Township Supervisor Dan Venturi had a bet: the loser would appear at the winner's 5K charity run. Both are scheduled for September. Both privately admitted they would appear reciprocally anyway, but the wager added spice to the games.

Irwin took to "threatening" her own team. "Win or you're all fired," she yelled at the politically incorrectly named "Irwin's Indians."

When amiably contentious Lake Villa Township player Dave Stone came up to bat, Irwin exhorted pitcher Dave Becker to "strike him out or hit him in the head," and then admitted, in an aside, that she thought Stone was "adorable."

The Cabooses took that game with an aggressive score of 11-3.

"Trash talk" did not end with the tournament. At the Lindenhurst Board meeting the

following Monday, Lindenhurst Mayor Jim Betustak said his team had not had a chance to play Lake Villa.

"They were afraid of us," he said, feeding the frenzy for next year's competition.

When he boasted about the fourth place trophy, Trustee Carl Norlin spiked the brag, remarking, "But there were only three teams."

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At the Lake Villa Baseball Park a helicopter hovers over a baseball diamond for a ball drop producing the winning number 66 picked by Mike Lill, of Lake Villa, who won a cash prize of \$500 and a helicopter ride.



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Maricelana Quintana, 36, of 1039 Adam St., North Chicago, was stopped at 5:47 a.m. on Aug. 18 for driving 56 mph in a 35 mph zone. She was also ticketed for driving without a valid license and driving an uninsured vehicle. She is scheduled to appear in court.

Mark A. Jones of 52391 N. Highway C in Trevor, Wis. was stopped at 11:48 p.m. on Aug. 17. He was riding his motorcycle 70 mph in a 55 mph zone. In addition to speeding he was ticketed for driving without a valid license, violation of classification, and driving an

uninsured vehicle. He was released on a personal recognizance bond and is scheduled for court on Sept. 14.

Angela N. Jackson, 20, of 3217 Ezekiel, Zion, was stopped at 2:39 a.m. on Aug. 17, for turning left on a red light. She was also ticketed for driving while her license was suspended. She was released on a recognizance bond and is scheduled to appear in court on Sept. 14.

Adam J. Walker, 20, of 284 Windsor Terrace in Antioch was stopped at 9:49 a.m. Aug. 12, for not having a front license plate. He was also ticketed for driving while his license was suspended and driving an unin-

sured vehicle. He was released on personal recognizance and is scheduled to appear in court on Sept. 14.

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Driving without a license

Mahmood Saljoqi, 40, of 59 Amber Lane, Lindenhurst, was stopped for disobeying a traffic control device. He was also charged with driving while his license was suspended for an equipment violation and not having proof of insurance. He was released on a \$200 cash bond and scheduled to appear in court on Sept. 7.

Dennis L. Deford, 38, of 38889 Sunshine, Lake Villa, was charged with driving with an expired driver's license, expired registration and no insurance on Aug. 2, as he was driving westbound on Grand Avenue near Deerpath. He was released on a \$3,000 I-bond and is scheduled to appear in court on Sept. 7.

William Schneider, 28, of 1503 W. Cortez, Chicago, was stopped because his plates indicated the registered owners license plate was cancelled. He was charged with not having a valid driver's license. He was released on a \$1,000 I-bond and is scheduled to appear in court on Sept. 9.

Francisco Luna, 1535 Cornelia Ave., Waukegan, was stopped at Grand Avenue and Emerald at 9:51 p.m. on Aug. 11, and charged with driving without a valid license. He was released on a \$1,000 I-bond and is scheduled for court on Sept. 7.

Danny M. Hill, 58, of 1125 S. Troy St., Chicago, was stopped because his plates were expired because of emissions and driver's license was suspended. He was released on a \$1,000 I-bond and is scheduled to appear in court on Sept. 7.

DUI ARRESTS

The following people have been arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs

Linda M. Brock, 20, of 284 Anita Terrace in Antioch, was charged with DUI with a .102 BAC, minor consumption of alcohol and driving an uninsured vehicle. The police were called after Brock's car damaged a house when she put her car in reverse at a high rate of speed and damaged a back stairway and a fence. She was released on personal recognizance and a court date is pending.

Her passengers, Brian Strouse of Antioch and Brandin Stancliff of Chicago, were charged with a minor consumption of alcohol.

Nathan Felber, 33, of 30 Cedar Ave. in Lake Villa was charged Aug. 8 with DUI drugs and alcohol, speeding, illegal lane usage, no registration and operating an uninsured motor vehicle. Felber had been traveling westbound on Route 132 when police used radar to determine he was driving 45 miles per hour in a 30 mile per hour zone.

Evan Schiralli, 20, of 295 West Trail Drive in Grayslake was charged Aug. 7 with DUI, speeding and operating and uninsured motor vehicle. Schiralli had been traveling eastbound on Route 132 when police used radar to determine he was driving 48 miles per hour in a 30 mile per hour zone.

Nicholas Strand, 23, of 2016 Woodlane in Lindenhurst was charged Aug. 6 with DUI and following too closely. He was released pending a court date Sept. 2.

Jamie Black, 18, of 37181 North Deerpath, Lake Villa was stopped Aug. 1 on Sand Lake Road at Beck Road, Lindenhurst, for speeding. She was also charged with an improper turn, DUI, DUI above .08, no car insurance and a minor consumption of alcohol.

RUMMAGING FOR A DEAL



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Wendy Burke a volunteer for the rummage sale at the All Saints Lutheran Church shows customer Wild Bill, of Fox Lake, glasses and jars while discussing the prices. All proceeds from the sale are going towards the purchase of new tables for the church.



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James Geocar, Sr. is a former Marine Corps Attorney. Following this he served in the private practice of law in the 1960's before being appointed as a Magistrate in 1970. Subsequently, he was appointed as an Associate Judge in Cook County and later elected as a full Circuit Court Judge. He became Presiding Judge of the Third Municipal District in 1976, a position he held until his retirement in 1996. He was responsible for creating and implementing the Traffic Diversion Program, giving the motorist the option of signing up for "Traffic School" as opposed to attending court. He also supervised the transition of the Third District to the central court facility located in Rolling Meadows in 1989. He currently serves as the Village Prosecutor for the Village of Rolling Meadows and lives there along with his wife, Naomi.

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Are Sequoits politically correct?

In an effort to be proactive, and avoid the problems that face University of Illinois, the District 117 School Board has formed a committee to look into that very matter. Superintendent Jay Sabatino said the committee is balanced and would try to learn the background and history

Sabatino would like to see a study done so the historical aspects can be acknowledged. "People talk about a mural with the school's history," he said.

Sequoits translates into something like 'winding river.' At Lakes Community High School, their mascot is an Eagles.

Lake Villa Township Travel Baseball

The tryout schedule for the 2006 Lake Villa Township Travel Baseball season has been released. The 14u Storm, 13u Hawks, 12u Vipers, 11u Falcons and the new 10u team tryout dates are as follows:

Sunday, August 28 from 6 to 8:30 p.m., for age levels 10u, 11u, 12u and 13u with registration starting at 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 17, from 12 to 2:30 p.m. for 10u and 11u; 3 to 5:30 p.m. for 12u;

and 6 to 8:30 p.m. for 14u.

Sunday, September 18 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. for 13u.

The cutoff date to determine what age level a player can participate at has been changed from August 1 to April 30. It is strongly suggested that any interested players make both tryout dates if possible. For more information contact Dave Dexheimer at 847-287-6809.

SOLDIER DIES TOO YOUNG



Antioch Community High School flies its flag at half-staff to acknowledge the death of Benjamin Jansky, a 1994 ACHS graduate. Jansky, a captain in the Army, died in Iraq on July 27 in a tragic accident. He served as a captain in the 983rd Engineering Battalion.

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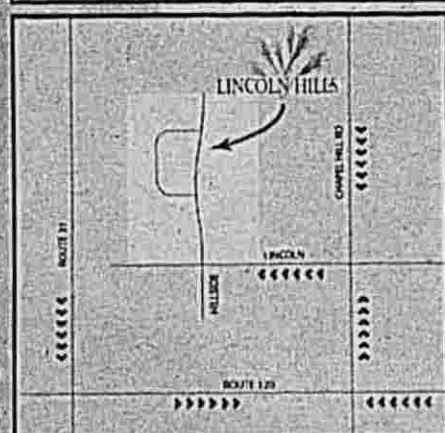
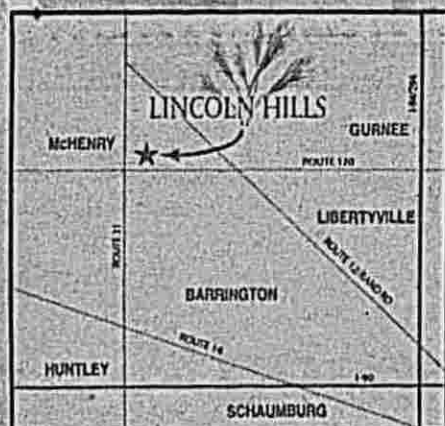
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Heimatfest

The American Aid Society will have the German Heritage Remembrance on their picnic grounds at 259 W. Grand Ave., Lake Villa, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

There will be a church service to commemorate German heritage, and the service will be held in both German and English.

At 10:30 a.m. a priest will conduct an outdoor Mass. The St. Alphonsus German Church Choir from Chicago will sing at the Mass.

Dinner will be available following the church service. There will be a parade at 2 p.m. Authentic German food and beverages will be available all day.

Later there will be live entertainment by Die Lustier Musikanten for listening and dancing.

There is no admission charge but a \$5 parking donation is requested.

St. Ignatius Church offers Sunday School

Members of the community are welcome to sign up for the St. Ignatius of Antioch Sunday School Program. Students may register in person on the first day of class, Sept. 11. Classes are every Sunday at 9:15 a.m. at the church. There are four classes made up of children from 3 years of age to sixth grade.

Members of the community of all denominations are also welcomed to attend our services officiated by Father Vincent Eckholm at 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. every Sunday. The 9:30 Mass also includes a nursery for those with younger children.

St. Ignatius is an Episcopal Church located in Antioch at the corner of Deep Lake Road and Depot Street. The address is 500 E. Depot St. Antioch, IL 60002. For more information call the church at 847-395-0652.

Prince of Peace Church

Prince of Peace Church, 135 South Milwaukee Ave., Lake Villa, the Savvy Senior's Club will have their monthly meeting on Sept. 7, 2005 in the church's new meeting rooms 4 & 5 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The speaker will be

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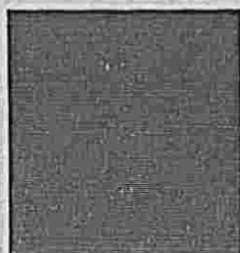
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Occupation:
Fourth-grade teacher at Faith Lutheran School in Antioch

What I like most about my town:
Seeing people I know around town

Hobbies:
Photography

Favorite Movie:
"A Walk to Remember"

Favorite CD or artist:
Tim McGraw

Favorite sports:
kickball

Best local restaurant:
The soon to come Culver's

Favorite home-cooked meal:
Polish sausage and sauerkraut

Person I admire most:
Jesus Christ

If I had \$1 million, I would:
Pay off debts and share it

If I had a plane ticket to anywhere, I'd go to:
Hawaii

People who knew me as a kid would say:
She hasn't changed much except for gravity.

My dream job would be:
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My life's motto is:
Do unto others, as you would have them do unto you.

If you have a "Neighbor" that you would like to see profiled in this column, call Lakeland Newspapers at 847-223-8161.

FROM PAGE A1

OSMOND

obstetricians to Wisconsin, she said. Even though Blagojevich has said he will sign the law, Osmond said trial lawyers would rush to test the legality of it. Doctors have to be open about if they've been sued and develop a disciplinary plan, she said.

Osmond is concerned about the Illinois economy.

"We need an incentive for industry. Illinois is 49th in manufacturing and we have to see how we can keep them here," she said.

Like most Lake County residents, Osmond would like to see improvement in the traffic situation.

Osmond is not pleased with the transportation projects approved for the state and Lake County in particular.

"Our top concerns are not addressed," she said. "It's very difficult to get these things changed. Hunt Club Road took 12 years on the drawing board."

An audience member asked Osmond how she thought the budget should be budgeted.

Her answer was fairly simple, although not necessarily easy. She compared it to the way a family runs their budget.

"We have to live within our means," she said.

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MARATHON

Oct. 9 as she takes part in the LaSalle Bank Chicago Marathon which is 26.2 miles.

Since the marathon is such a long race she has been training and practicing since spring. She practices daily in Antioch on her own and runs a few miles. Once a week Henry runs with a group of other people taking part in the marathon to raise money for the society. She runs with a group called Team in Training and they practice in a variety of areas.

There are chapters of Team in Training across the country, with five in Illinois. Henry gains a lot by running with the group since they support and encourage one another. They have a common goal. Each week the practice run gets a little longer, and Henry is now up to 16 miles at a time.

"Team in Training is an endurance program to help raise funds," Henry said. "It costs money to put people in the race, but 75 percent of the money raised goes to the cause," she said. Henry has pledged to raise \$3,750 from her run.

Raising that amount of money is a big task and the runner cannot simply rely on friends to sponsor them.

Henry has volunteered at the Tweeter Center, and the money from her 'job' went to the Society. Some of the more fortunate runners have a commercial sponsor to help them raise money.

This Sunday Henry will be outside of the Antioch Wal-Mart from the morning until 1 p.m. collecting the money she needs to raise. All of the funds need to be turned in by Sept. 19, so she needs a lot of help. She wants to raise awareness.

"The more people who know, the better," Henry said. "Community backing would be so great."

"What's cool about this is that a lot of times it's people who have never run a marathon. Some get hooked and keep coming."

"You really have to get deep down inside yourself to finish," Henry said. "At the same time you see this is much bigger than yourself which makes it very humbling."

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CALENDAR

Friday, August 26

Lake Co. Greek Fest, Aug. 26-28, Fri.-Sun., O'Plaine Rd. between Routes 120 and 137. Greek band, folk dancing and food. Raffle. 11 a.m.-10 p.m.—Fri.-Sat.; noon-9 p.m.—Sun. Please call Father Cosmas Halekakis at 847-623-0190 for more details.

Giant, Upscale, Rummage Sale, Aug. 26-28, by Lake County Council Against Sexual Assault. Rain or shine (tent), LaCASA/Zacharias Center's parking lot, 4275 Old Grand Ave., Gurnee. Clothing, household items, furniture, linens, books, toys, collectibles. 9 a.m.-6 p.m.—Fri.; 9 a.m.-4 p.m.—Sat.; 9 a.m.-noon—Sun. Call Linda West at 847-244-1187 ext. 21 or go to www.lacasagurnee.org.

7:30-8:30 a.m., Business Networking Group meets in Libertyville. Call Dan at 847-803-9904 (8-5).

Saturday, August 27

9 a.m., Singles' Bike Ride by Bicycle Club of Lake Co. in Libertyville. Free. Please call 847-604-0520 or go to www.bikeclub.com to learn more.

Sunday, August 28

Auditions for CMJ Productions mini-musical, "My Emperor's New Clothes" by Larry Shue. Held Aug. 28-29 in Waukegan. Please call 847-360-1336 or send an email to Payge1@aol.com for details.

7-9 p.m., Open gym Sundays at Antioch Community High School. \$2. Adults only.

1:45-3 p.m., Widowed Outreach Network of Lake Co., for widows and widowers of all ages, meets in Libertyville. Call 847-990-5275 or 847-367-0087.

Lake Co. Republican Central Committee Picnic at Lakewood Forest Preserve, Rt. 176 west of Fairfield.

Monday, August 29

7:30 p.m., Antioch Jaycees meets last Mondays at Regency Inn. Call 847-395-8035 to learn more.

Community support group or women who are dealing with abuse in their homes meets in Antioch. All welcome. No fees. Call A Safe Place at 847-249-4450 or 847-249-6557 (TTY).

7-9 p.m., Lakes Area Community Band rehearses at ACHS. Call Debbie Davis at 847-395-0272.

Tuesday, August 30

Noon, Kiwanis Club of Antioch meets at Bacchus Restaurant. Please call Melissa at 847-489-8044 or e-mail mjrigoni@hotmail.com for information.

6:45 p.m., Bingo Tuesdays, Antioch VFW. Doors open 4:30 p.m. Call 847-395-5393 for information.

7-8 p.m., Weigh to Win program held at Calvary Christian Center, Monaville Rd., Call 847-356-6181.

7-9 p.m., Stepmoms Offering Support to Stepmoms meets in Grayslake area. Call Tina at 847-543-4768.

7:30 a.m., Dynamic Resources, a professional women's networking group, meets Tuesdays in Mundelein. Contacts are Deb Pauley at 847-973-1369 and Linda Miller at 847-606-2259.

Wednesday, August 31

6:30 p.m., Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets Wednesdays, weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting at the Senior Center, 817 Holbeck Dr. Call Dorothy Stark at 847-395-7407 or Betty Muller at 847-838-3907 for more information.

Thursday, September 1

11 a.m., Lake Villa Township AARP Chapter #3978 board meets first Thursdays at Township Offices.

9:30-11 a.m., Lake Co. Council for Seniors, meets first Thursdays in Grayslake. Please call 847-367-0087 or 847-244-1720 for information.

7 p.m., Lakes Area Artisans chapter of the Stencil Artisans League meets in southern Lake Co. Call Merilee Sawusch at 847-680-7166 to learn more.

7 p.m., American Sewing Guild group, "Running in Stitches," meets first Thursdays. Please call Janet at 265-7932 or Chris at 847-548-8223 for information.

8-9 a.m., Network Lake Co., a business networking group, meets Thursdays in Gurnee. Please call Boyce Buckner at 847-838-0058 to learn more.

Friday, September 2

9 a.m., Senior Coffee Hour held first Fridays at Salem Community Library, 24615 89th St., Salem, Wisc. Coffee, healthy snacks, programs for seniors and good conversation. Please call 262-843-3348.

7:30 a.m., Lake Co. Chamber of Commerce net-workers group meets first and third Fridays at the Gurnee Hampton Inn. Call 847-249-3800.

6:30 p.m., Lake Co. Camera Club, peer-to-peer discussion/socializing, meets first Fridays in Gurnee. Photo competitions even numbered months. All skill levels, digital/film, welcome. Call Mike Ament at 847-356-6937 (noon-6 p.m.) to learn more.

Saturday, September 3

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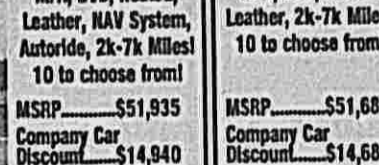
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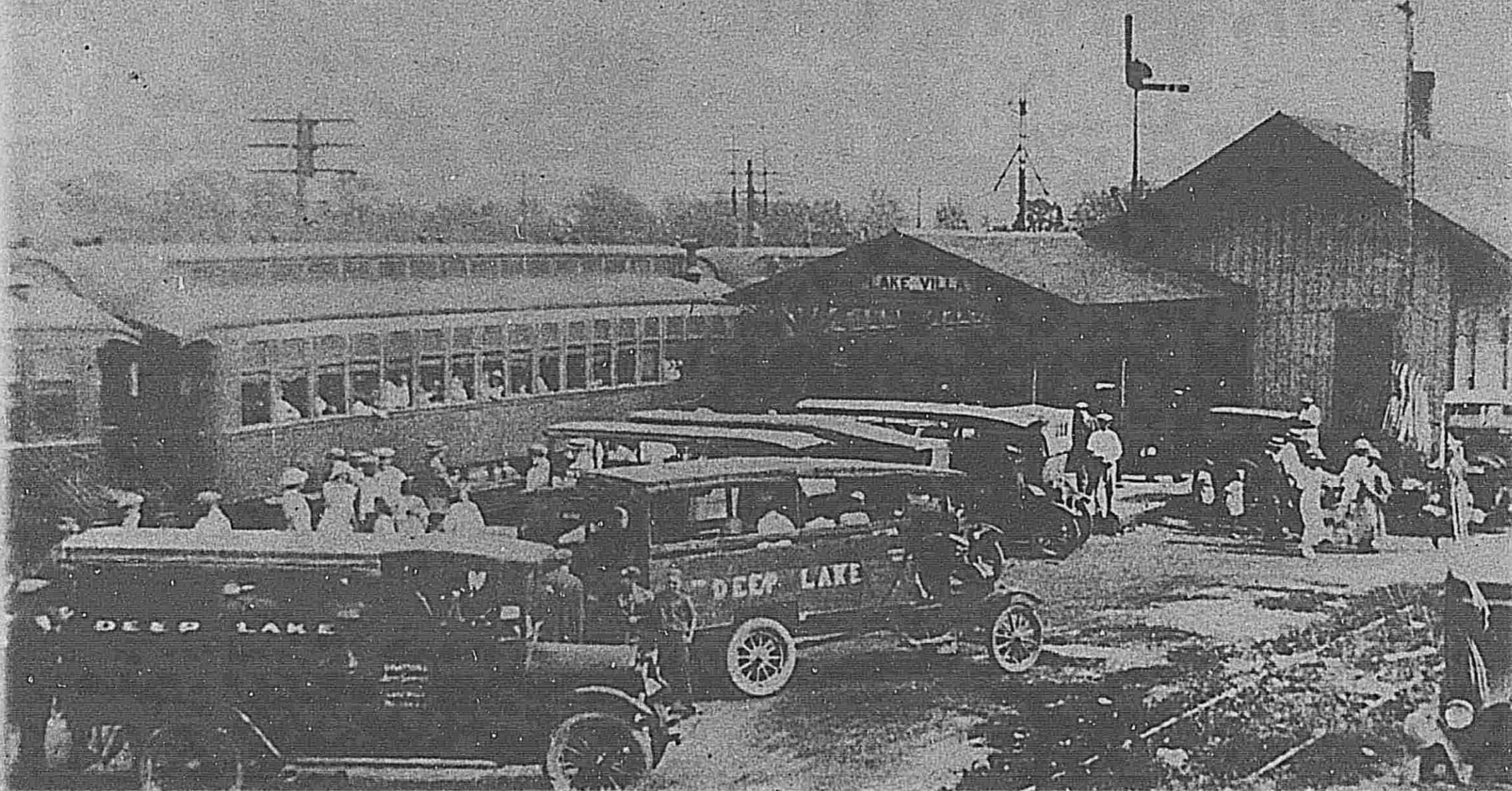
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Eleven-year-olds Julia Wilson and Taylor Pfenning, both of Gurnee, point out some of their favorite anime characters at the new Anime-Zing: The World of Japanese Animation exhibit at the Lake County Discovery Museum in Wauconda. The exhibit runs through February 2006.



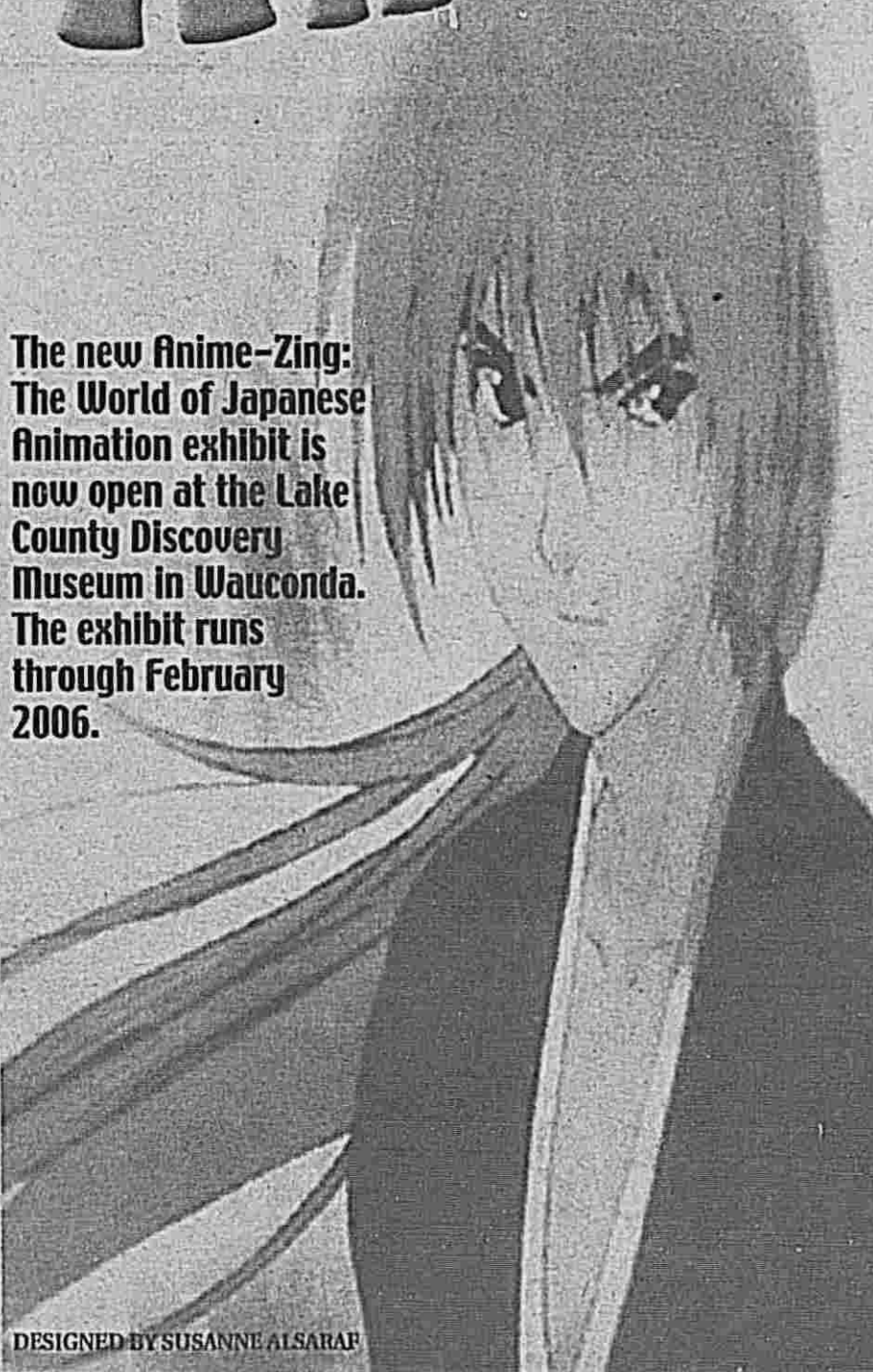
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Anime attack!

*New exhibit draws
Japanese animation fans*

By Kathy Gresey

The new Anime-Zing: The World of Japanese Animation exhibit is now open at the Lake County Discovery Museum in Wauconda. The exhibit runs through February 2006.



Those familiar with the names Cowboy Bebop, Sailor Moon and Speed Racer will want to check out a new exhibit at the Lake County Discovery Museum. Anime-zing: The World of Japanese Animation explores the pop culture phenomenon known as anime.

Through this interactive exhibit, visitors can trace anime's history and cultural roots, learn about its creators and fans and delve into its different genres.

"Anime is hugely on the rise of popularity," said exhibit coordinator Diana Dietske, who happens to be a huge anime fan. "Japanese animation is not just for children. It's geared toward adults as well."

The art of anime has been popular in the U.S. for decades. Earlier shows like Astro Boy and Mach Go Go Go, better known as Speed Racer, first aired on television in 1963.

Series often start out as "manga," or graphic novels. The term was created in 1814 and today it refers to illustrated works that represent 40 percent of printed material in Japan, including technical manuals and non-fiction.

Many popular manga are turned into anime, which is often considered moving manga.

Visitors can view scenes from different anime series at the exhibit. There are also original drawings from Yu-Gi-Oh!, Fullmetal Alchemist and Card Captor Sakura: The Movie.

Other highlights include vintage postcards, a replica of the cat bus from My Neighbor Totoro, costumes and a mini-recording studio from Mastadon Productions, Inc., where children and adults can do voiceovers to an anime clip and listen to them on playback.

A well-known anime and video game

voiceover actor that has done voice work for Cowboy Bebop and Digimon Frontier is scheduled to arrive at the museum as well. Crispin Freeman will make an appearance Oct. 15 to present his "Mythological Anime Panel" and meet fans.

Dietske said that Anime-zing validates the importance and popularity of anime for a lot of fans.

"It's for everybody," she said. "Japanese animation deals with complex story lines...it's not just good versus bad."

She said that even diehard anime enthusiasts will enjoy the collection of anime items. After all, she is one of them.

"Ever since I was a kid I've loved anime," she said. "I loved Speed Racer."

The museum gift shop has also included Japanese items. Visitors can buy Pokémon and Astroboy keychains, sushi candy and origami kits among other items.

The exhibit will be open until February 2006.

Admission is \$6 for adults and \$2.50 for youth ages four to 17. Children three years and under are free. Seniors are \$2.50 after 2 p.m. On discount Tuesdays, admission is \$3 for adults, and youth 17 years and under are free. Admission is always free for Friends of the Lake County Discovery Museum members.

The entrance to the museum is located on Route 176 just west of Fairfield Road and east of Wauconda in Lakewood Forest Preserve. Gallery hours are Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 4:30 p.m.

For more information about Anime-zing or to download discount coupons, visit www.lakecountymuseum.org or call the exhibit hotline at 847-968-3393.

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On Stage

By Tom Witom

"At Last: A Tribute to Etta James," a fireball of a new musical, has caught fire with audiences since its mid-April opening so much so that the production was extended through Sept. 25.

Jackie Taylor, founder of the Black Ensemble Theater, and the writer, director and producer responsible for this show, has cast not one but five dynamic singers to play James, each representing the recording artist at various stages of her at-times tumultuous career.

France Jean Baptiste, Dawn Mitchell, Carrie Abernathy, Melanie McCullough and Desla Epison are terrific performers, each bringing a unique interpretation to James' multi-faceted personality. Together, their work is sheer magic.

James successfully mixed her gospel roots with rock music to develop a distinctive sound. As the show unfolds, audience members learn of her encounters with men – both good and bad – and her long and ultimately successful struggle with drug addiction.

Unfortunately, the narrative bridges between songs tend to go on too long. The shtick and dialogue often come across as tired, stilted and superficial.

Jackie Taylor's new musical pays homage to Etta James



In "At Last: A Tribute to Etta James," five actresses portray the black rhythm and blues music legend. They are (from left) France Jean Baptiste, Desla Epison, Dawn Mitchell, Carrie Abernathy and Melanie McCullough.

Eventually, the cast works its way through more than 20 numbers that were part of James' repertoire of rhythm-and-blues, country, soul and jazz hits, including "Roll with Me Henry" (later renamed "The Wallflower"). That tune, recorded in 1954, when James (born Jamesetta Hawkins) was 16, rose to the top spot on the R&B chart and launched her career.

Other memorable songs in the fast-paced two-hour 15-minute show included "All I Could Do Was Cry," "Something's Got a Hold on Me" and "I'll Be Seeing You."

A survivor in a tough business, James earned two Grammy Awards, induction in the

Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame, a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and other awards for her contribution to the musical world.

The singers are backed by a terrific seven-member band. Robert Reddrick serves as musical director.

David Simmons, Terrance Watts and Nikita Harris round out the cast along with a likable narrator, Ms. Real, inexplicably played in drag by a buoyant Rueben D. Echoles who dutifully points out that the show's intent was to "clarify rather than glorify" Etta James.

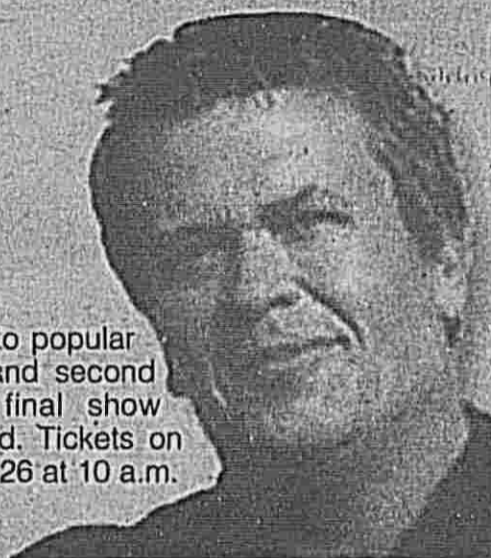
Either way, theatergoers will find themselves swept up in James' diverse musical achievements.

Ron White to appear in 2nd Genesee show

Due to demand for comedian Ron White, Kenny Mac Presents announced a second performance at the Genesee Theatre for Oct. 12, at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets for the additional performance will go on sale Friday, Aug. 26, at 10 a.m. Tickets for the 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12 show are still available. All tickets for these performances are priced at \$39. There is an eight ticket limit for this show. Tickets can be purchased at the Genesee Theatre Box Office, all Ticketmaster outlets, charge-by-phone at 312-559-1212 or online at www.ticketmaster.com. This show is for mature audiences only.

From January 2000 to March 2003, Ron White performed with Jeff Foxworthy, Bill Engvall and Larry The Cable Guy on "The Blue Collar Comedy Tour," a show that played to sold out audiences in over 90 cities and grossed over \$15 million dollars. The "Blue Collar Comedy Tour" was filmed as major motion picture by Warner Bros. and released in theaters March 2003. The DVD version was released in June 2003 and has sold more than 1.5 million copies. The movie premiered on Comedy Central and was the most watched movie ever in the channel's history. Currently Ron is headlining theaters with his own "Drunk in Public" tour across the U.S.



Due to popular demand second and final show added. Tickets on Aug. 26 at 10 a.m.

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Lumber Center kicks off season

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, a popular swing band, will be the featured group for the Ninth Season Opening Celebration at the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts at the College of Lake County at 7 p.m. on Sept. 25.

The James Lumber Center will offer a diverse series of 14 exciting musical and theatrical performances for 2005-06 in its Mainstage Series, Daylight Series and the new Studio Series, set in the center's intimate 250-seat thrust stage.

Tickets for the 2005-06 season are on sale at the Box Office in the James Lumber Center on the Grayslake Campus. Tickets can be purchased in person, by phone at 847-543-2300, by mail through the new performing arts calendar and for the first time, on the Internet. The James Lumber Center Web site (jlcen-ter.clcillinois.edu) now offers the convenience of online ticket ordering.

2005 events at the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy: Sept. 25 at 7 p.m. at the Mainstage Theatre. Tickets: \$43 General Public; \$40 CLC/Seniors 65+. Flexible Series price: \$40 all tickets. This swing group first gained national attention with their performance in the movie "Swingers."

Unraveling Rhythms: Sept. 29 at 7 p.m. at the Studio Theatre. Tickets: \$25 General Public; \$22 CLC/Seniors 65+; \$12 children under 12. Flexible Series price: \$22. The Guitars of Spain (Las Guitarras de Espana) ensemble, founded in 1999 by guitarist Carlo



Sons of the Never Wrong



Big Bad Voodoo Daddy will perform at the opening of the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts at the College of Lake County at 7 p.m., on Sept. 25.

Basile, has been described as "Spanish guitar-influenced world music and dance." Unraveling Rhythms, featuring Siri Sonty, transcends and includes the musical and dance forms of flamenco and classical Indian and incorporates moving visual art.

James Sewell Ballet: Oct. 16 at 7 p.m. at the Mainstage Theatre. Tickets: \$32 General Public; \$30 CLC/Seniors 65+; \$20 Children under 12. Flexible Series price: \$30 General/CLC/Seniors 65+; \$20 Children under 12. This unique ballet company dances to everything from the Beatles to German harpsichord to African drums.

DRUM! Nov. 12 at 4 p.m. at the Mainstage Theatre. Tickets: \$40 General Public; \$37 CLC/Seniors 65+; \$20 Children under 12. Flexible Series Price: \$37 General/CLC/Seniors 65+; \$20 Children under 12. Using electrifying music, rhythms and dance, DRUM! is a one-of-a-kind musical experience from Nova Scotia that celebrates its founding cultures, Aboriginal, Black, Celtic and Acadian.

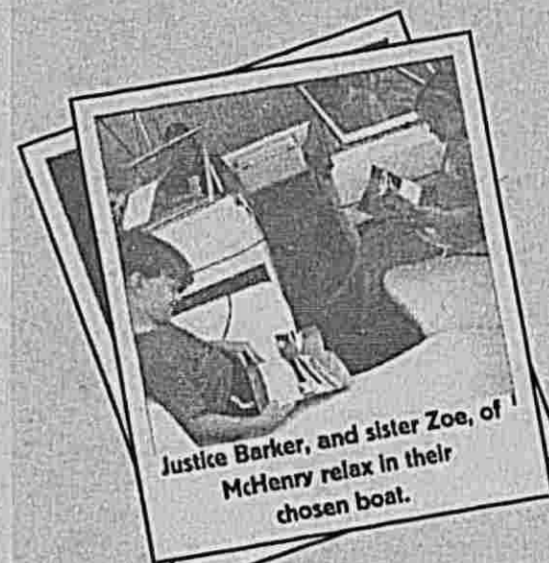
Chocolate Chips Theatre Company in "Moyenda and the Golden Heart"

Nov. 30 at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. at the Studio Theatre. Tickets: \$22 General Public; \$20 CLC/Seniors 65+; \$12 Children ages 10-17; \$8 Children under 10. Special school group rates are available by contacting the Box Office at (847) 543-2300. Flexible Series Price: \$20 General Public/CLC/Seniors 65+; \$12 Children ages 10-17; \$8 Children under 10. This African fable story was written by Nora Brooks Blakely, artistic director of the Chocolate Chips Theatre Company of Chicago and daughter of Gwendolyn Brooks, former poet laureate of Illinois.

Sons of the Never Wrong: Dec. 3 at 8 p.m. at the Studio Theatre. Tickets: \$25 General Public; \$22 CLC/Seniors 65+; \$12 Children under 12. Flexible Series Price: \$22 General/CLC/Seniors 65+; \$12 Children under 12. The members of Sons of the Never Wrong have been called the future of folk music, with their unusual vocals deftly interpreting witty and whimsical original songs with a familiar feel. A typical show includes both singing and dancing and is suitable for everyone.

Picture this

This week's capture from Lakeland's Photographers, Rebecca Landmann and Sandy Bressner



Justice Barker, and sister Zoe, of McHenry relax in their chosen boat.



Matt Loeffl, of Cub Scout Pack 91 gets help from his mom, Pat, in preparing his rocket for lift-off.



Todd Renihan of Axa Advisors hits the ball to the green from the fairway.

The cycle of life

When it comes to cycling I've got the steely resolve of Lance Armstrong. However, this is paired with the finesse of a chimp pedaling a circus bike.

Despite years racking up mileage on bike trails, I still look like I've stuffed my thighs into sausage casings instead of bike shorts. And I can't scale steep inclines without panting loudly enough to attract some wild turkey with a wandering eye—so much for the sudden, passionate fling with "Tom" along a Wisconsin bike trail.

But bicycling is more about looking inward than looking good. It's about setting challenging goals, regardless of stage of life or

personal setbacks. That's why our family always celebrates each other's successes on summer biking trips.

Now we may not ride the "premium Cadillac bikes" being offered by GM dealers; our second-hand cycles invariably break down. Nor can we be considered "avid" mountain bike riders like President Bush; we stick to well worn trails. Nevertheless, we've got battle scars to prove we've conquered a few obstacles of our own.



Leslie Glazier-Werner

LES ON LIFE

Our children face their fears and build confidence with each passing year behind handlebars. The tot trailer turns into a tricycle, then training wheels, then tagalong, culminating in a two-wheel plunge down "Hamburger Hill" accompanied by a child's fearless rebel yell. At that moment our kids forget all about prior trips...and falls. Gone are memories of disappearing over an embankment, or throwing a bike into the bushes out of frustration. It's replaced with the satisfaction of knowing they've achieved a major goal, and are therefore more than capable of doing so in the future.

Even Dad sets goals, though strictly by the numbers, calculating the average return on investing so many miles jogging over 52 weeks as a benchmark for his performance biking. You've got to hand it to him. This middle-aged money manager still outperforms the market, leaving his teenagers in the

dust.

I go by the numbers too: consuming so many calories over the course of the year means hauling enough ballast over bike trails to consider competing in a tractor pull instead. Anyway, I measure success by biking up a speed bump in Wisconsin my husband aptly calls "Bon Bon Hill." Unfortunately, this summer even whistling "Chariot's of Fire" with a wild turkey on my tail couldn't get me over that hill.

But that doesn't mean I can't set another goal. With so many Lake County Forest Preserve bike trails yet to enjoy, I've dusted off our tot trailer for new puppy "BoBo." So move on over "BoBo," dad's got miles to go before he rests.

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Whether your tomatoes – Italian plum, Brandywine, Green Zebra or some other variety – come from the garden or a local farmers' market, one good way to enjoy them is in a Tuscan bread salad. Prepare this salad shortly before serving to keep it from becoming mushy.

Meanwhile, Mixed Mushroom Frittata makes a wonderful picnic dish. Other recipes range from appetizers to dips, pasta, pizza and rice dishes to summery drinks.

Mixed Mushroom Frittata

- 3 Tbl. extra virgin olive oil
- 2 shallots, finely chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 1 Tbl. chopped fresh thyme leaves
- 3 cups mixed wild and cultivated mushrooms, such as chanterelle, portobello, shiitake and white mushrooms
- 6 eggs
- 2 Tbl. chopped flat-leaf parsley
- Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

Put 2 tablespoons of the oil into a nonstick skillet, heat gently, then add the shallots, garlic and thyme. Sauté gently for 5 minutes until softened but not browned.

Meanwhile, brush off any dirt clinging to the mushrooms and wipe the caps. Chop or slice coarsely and add to the skillet. Sauté for 4 to 5 minutes until they are just starting to release their juices. Remove from the heat.

Put the eggs in a bowl with the parsley and a little salt and pepper, beat briefly,

then stir in the mushroom mixture. Wipe the skillet clean.

Heat the remaining tablespoon of oil in the clean skillet and pour in the egg and mushroom mixture. Cook over medium heat for 8 to 10 minutes until set on the underside. Transfer to a preheated broiler and cook for 2 to 3 minutes until the top is set and spotted brown. Remove from the heat, let cool, and serve at room temperature.

(Serves 6)

Tuscan Panzanella

- 6 very ripe tomatoes
- 2 garlic cloves, thinly sliced
- 4 thick slices day-old bread, preferably Italian-style, such as pugliese or ciabatta
- About 4 inches cucumber, cut in half, seeded

- and thinly sliced diagonally
- 1 red onion, chopped
- 1 Tbl. chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley
- 1/2 to 3/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 2 Tbl. white wine vinegar, cider vinegar or sherry vinegar

- A bunch of basil, leaves torn
- 1/2 cup caperberries or 1/4 cup capers packed in brine, rinsed and drained
- 1 tsp. balsamic vinegar (optional)
- Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

Cut the tomatoes in half, spike with slivers of garlic and roast in a preheated oven at 350 degrees F for about 1 hour, or until wilted and some of the moisture has evaporated.

Meanwhile, put the bread on an oiled stove-top grill pan and cook on both sides, until lightly toasted and barred with grill marks. Tear or cut the toast into pieces and put in a salad bowl. Sprinkle with a little

water until damp.

Add the tomatoes, cucumber, onion, parsley, salt and pepper. Sprinkle with the olive oil and vinegar, toss well, then set aside for about 1 hour to develop the flavors.

Add the basil leaves, caperberries or capers, and sprinkle with a few drops of balsamic vinegar, if using; then serve.

(Serves 4)



Pork Tenderloin with creamy mustard sauce

- 1 pound pork tenderloin
- 1 teaspoon vegetable oil
- 2/3 cup (5 fluid-ounce can) Nestlé Carnation Evaporated Fat Free Milk
- 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
- 2 green onions, sliced
- Salt and ground black pepper

Cut pork into 1-inch-thick slices. Place pork between 2 pieces of plastic wrap. Flatten to

1/4-inch thickness using meat mallet or rolling pin. Season with salt and pepper.

Heat oil in large skillet over medium-high heat. Add half the pork; cook on each side 2 minutes or until browned and cooked through. Remove from skillet; set aside and keep warm. Repeat with remaining pork.

Reduce heat to low. Add evaporated milk; stir to loosen brown bits from bottom of skillet. Stir in mustard and green onions. Return pork to skillet. Cook 1 to 2 minutes (do not boil) or until sauce is lightly thickened, turning pork to coat with sauce.

Makes 4 servings

Great dishes

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Shrimp and Corn Chowder

- 3/4 cup water, divided
- 1 small chopped onion
- 1/2 cup chopped red bell pepper
- 1 can (15 to 17 ounces) cream-style corn
- 1 package (16 ounces) loose-pack frozen whole-kernel corn, thawed
- 1 can (12 fluid ounces) Nestlé Carnation Evaporated Fat Free Milk
- 3 low sodium chicken bouillon cubes
- 1 package (8 ounces) frozen shrimp, thawed, cooked and peeled
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh basil



Bring 1/4 cup water to boil in large saucepan. Add onion and bell pepper; cook over medium heat 5 minutes or until tender. Add remaining water, corn, evaporated milk and bouillon. Bring to boil; reduce heat to low. Cook, stirring frequently, 15 minutes or until heated through. Stir in shrimp; cook 3 minutes. Sprinkle with basil.

Makes 4 servings

Apple-Cranberry Cobbler

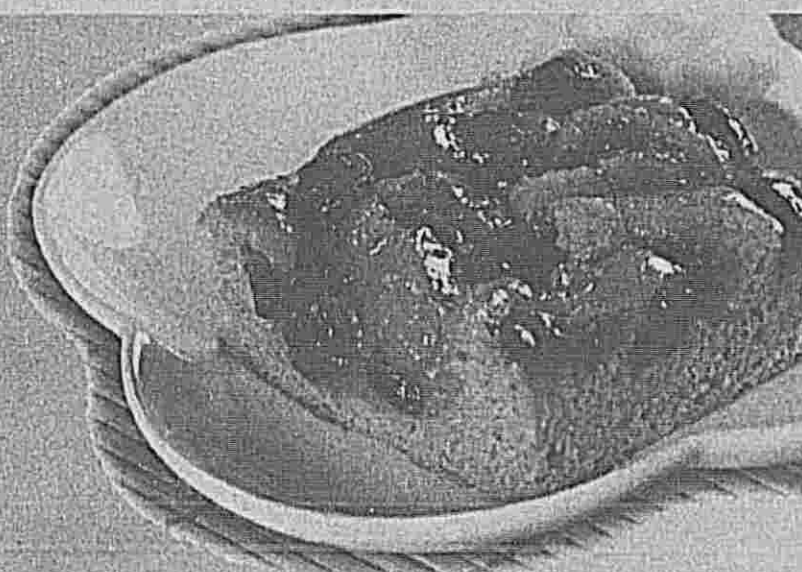
- 1 cup Nestlé Carnation Evaporated Fat Free Milk
- 1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 2/3 cup granulated sugar
- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups (21-ounce can) apple pie filling
- 1 cup sweetened dried cranberries
- 3/4 cup hot water

Nondairy fat-free whipped topping (optional)

Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease 13 x 9-inch baking dish.

Combine milk, flour, sugar, butter, baking powder, cinnamon and salt in medium bowl; stir until just blended. Spread into prepared baking dish. Combine apple pie filling and cranberries in medium bowl; spread evenly over batter. Carefully pour hot water over fruit.

Bake 45 to 50 minutes. Serve warm with whipped topping.
Makes 12 servings



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Bacon's seductive sizzle makes it a perennial favorite with Americans' taste buds. From 2003 to 2004, bacon accounted for nearly half of the breakfast meat servings in restaurants, while bacon growth increased 14 percent at meals other than breakfast. From fine dining to fast food, restaurant chefs are creating menus and cooking with bacon in record numbers. According to the National Pork Board, major chains and independent restaurants account for 90 percent of bacon being served – and it's growing!

In addition to attracting the interest of restaurant chefs, home cooks are also bringing home the bacon. Over half of all households (53 percent) report that they always have bacon on hand in the kitchen.

Bringing Home the Bacon

With the variety of bacon products available – from pre-cooked to thick cut and applewood smoked – adding bacon as an ingredient to family recipes has never been more convenient. And bacon lends itself to a variety of cooking methods – frying, baking, broiling and even microwaving. Adding a few slices of bacon to a favorite entrée, soup, salad or pasta can take a meal into an entirely new dimension.

Rodemeyer suggests trying the Club Salad Deluxe (recipe included), featuring the smoky flavor of bacon with roast pork, tomatoes and cool salad greens, topped with zesty Thousand Island or ranch dressing. "To satisfy your craving for bacon day or night, visit TheOtherWhiteMeat.com for even more great recipes, inspiration and information," she adds.

Bacon Adds Flavor to Healthful Eating

Two slices of cooked bacon contain just 73 calories and 6 grams of fat. Bacon is also a source of protein, niacin and selenium. Plus, just a little bit of bacon can add a whole lot of flavor to an otherwise ordinary salad or sandwich. That is, if you can stop at just a little bit.

Club Salad Deluxe

- 12 ounces (about 6 cups) chopped mixed salad greens
- 12 ounces roast pork, shaved (sliced very thinly)
- 12 slices bacon, cooked, broken into bite-size pieces
- 2 ripe tomatoes, cut into wedges
- 1 cup seasoned croutons
- Toppings (optional): Avocado, peeled and cubed; Blue cheese, crumbled; Hard-cooked egg, sliced
- 1 cup Thousand Island or ranch dressing

Place greens on each of 4 chilled dinner plates. Arrange pork, bacon, tomatoes, croutons and optional toppings on greens. Serve immediately with dressing(s) on the side.

Serves 4

World's largest corn maze now open

This year marks the fifth season of the world's largest corn maze adventure; owned and operated by the Richardson families.

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9407 Richardson Road, Spring Grove, 60081. The farm is just off Routes 12 or 173 in the far northwest Chicago suburbs near the Wisconsin state line.

Directions

Traveling up Route 12 toward Wisconsin, about six miles past Fox Lake, is Spring Grove. Watch for the corn maze signs and turn right on Richardson Road; then two miles north to Richardson Corn Maze. Or Traveling on Route 173, go 14 miles west of Interstate 94 or six miles east of Richmond. Watch for the Corn Maze signs and turn south on Richardson Road; one mile to Richardson Corn Maze.

Dates and Hours

Through Oct. 31

- Saturday-10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- Sunday-12 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- **Closed Monday and Tuesday**
- Wed.-Thurs 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Friday-3 p.m. to 10 p.m.

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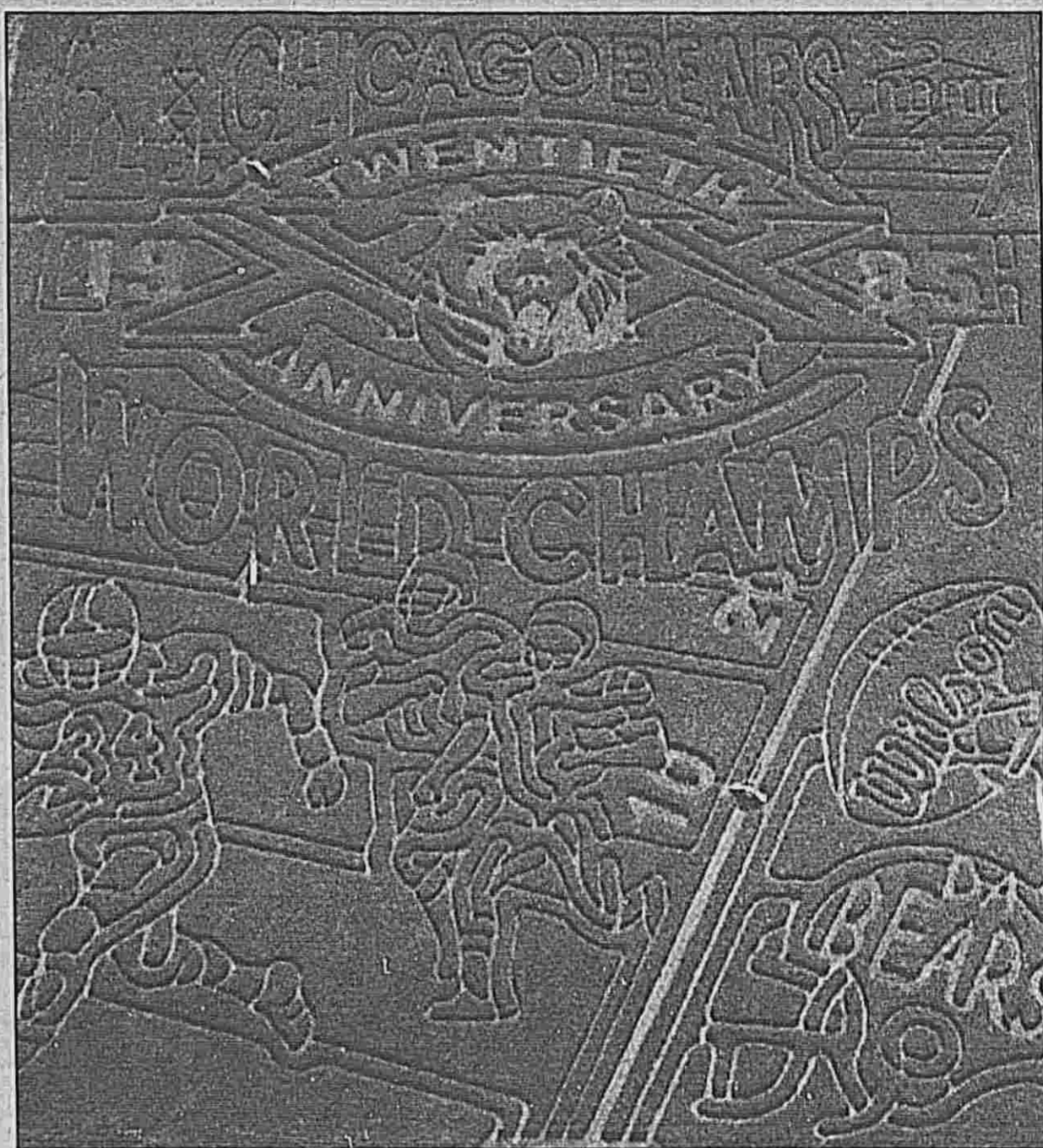
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- Sept. 10- "Feed those in need"; Everyone bringing a food item for the local food pantry receives \$1 off admission.
- Sept. 17, 18- "Maze 'til Midnight"; last admission at 12 a.m.
- Oct. 15, 16- "Maze 'til Midnight"; last admission at 12 a.m.
- Oct. 29, 30- "Costume Nights"; Everyone in full costume receives \$1 off admission. Mazes are lightly haunted.
- Oct. 31- "Halloween"/Haunting in Rotary maze only. The Richardson families donate the use of the maze to the Spring Gr. Police Benevolent Assoc. Proceeds go to local charities.

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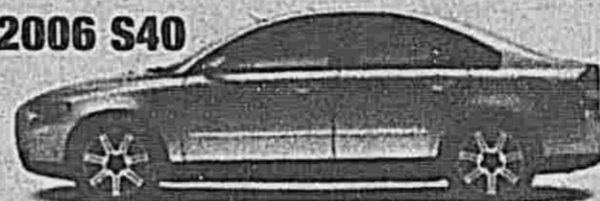
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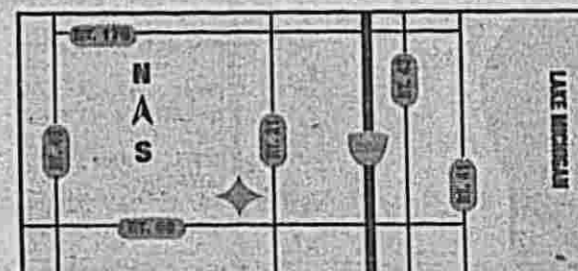
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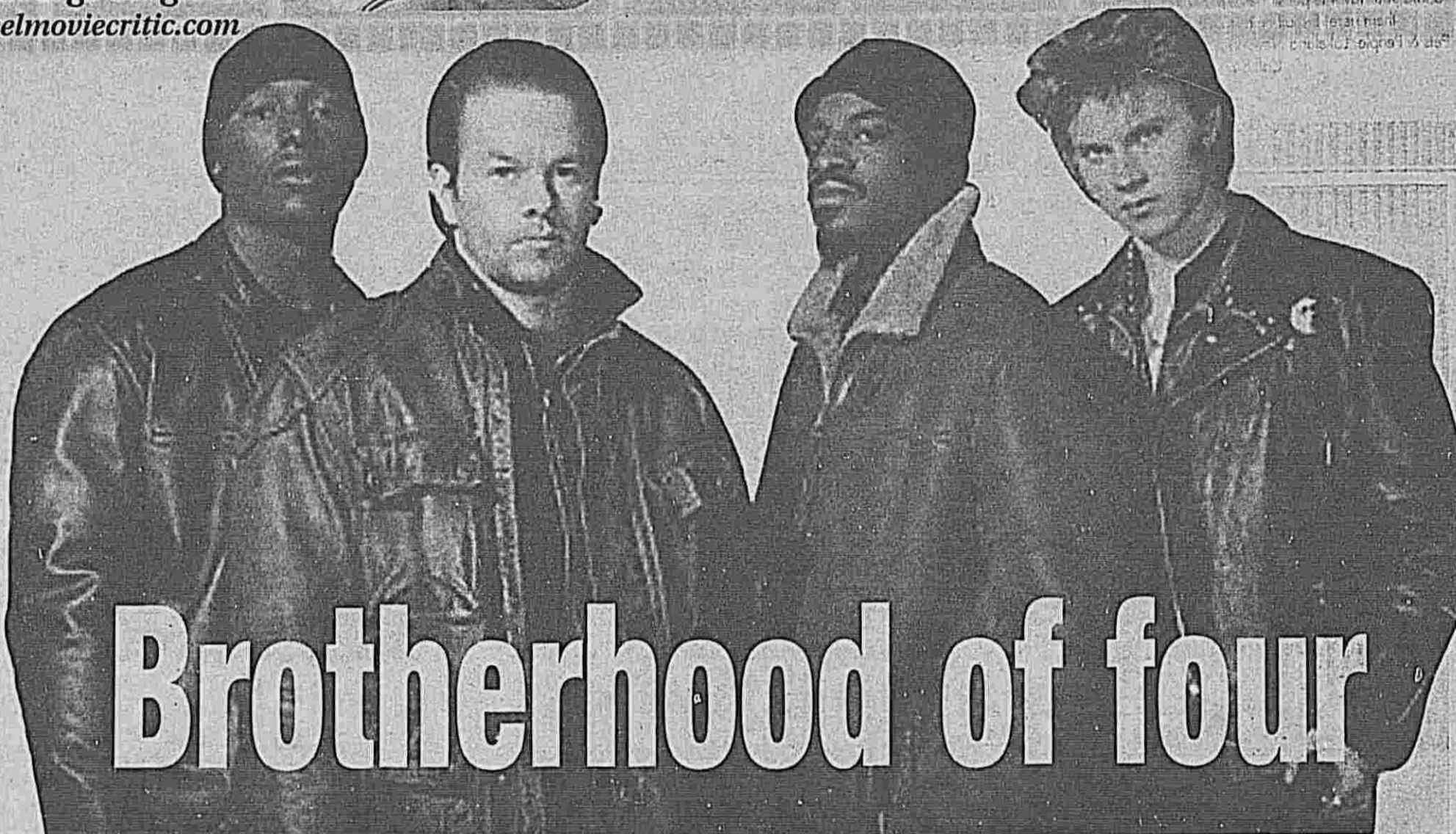


The Brothers Grimm: From director Terry Gilliam ("12 Monkeys"), comes "The Brothers Grimm," the adventure of fairytale scribes Will and Jake Grimm (Matt Damon and Heath Ledger). These two brothers travel around Napoleon's countryside conquering monsters and demons in exchange for quick money. When the French authorities learn of their racket, the con men come face to face with a real magical curse, after they enter an enchanted forest where young maidens keep vanishing under puzzling circumstances. As many of their fairytales such as Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood and Hansel & Gretel are woven into the story, the Brothers Grimm are forced to confront what their imaginations have brought to life in a heroic battle between fantasy and reality. (PG-13)



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Brotherhood of four

Four brothers gather in the Detroit home of their adoptive mother, who was gunned down in an apparent robbery of a convenience store. It soon becomes clear that her death was a hit, not random violence. Raised with unconditional love by this spirited woman, these four incorrigible boys have grown into strong willed men, a far cry from what they may have become if not for Evelyn Mercer. Two black and two white, the Mercer brothers are bound by circumstances thicker than blood, and determined to avenge their mother's murder.

Mark Wahlberg ("The Italian Job"), as Bobby, is a hotheaded loner, given to explosive impulse.

Angel (Tyrese Gibson) is a smooth operator with the women but he risks his life to reunite with Sofi (Sofia Vergara). Jeremiah (Andre Benjamin) remained in Detroit, close to their mother, paying her bills, and building his dream of success as a businessman, along with his supportive wife Camille (Taraji P. Henson of "Hustle & Flow"). Jack (Garrett Hedlund) is a tattooed, hard rock band member, with an unexpected sensitivity.

Another very familiar face belongs to Terrence Howard ("Hustle & Flow" and "Crash") as police investigator Lt. Green, who grew up with the Mercer brothers. This talented actor, who's been around for awhile, has definitely made a breakthrough this year.

The villain in this piece is Victor Sweet, whose personality is diametrically opposed to that notion. Portrayed by Chiwetel Ejiofor ("Dirty Pretty Things" and "Love Actually"), Sweet is the epitome of mean tempered, well manicured, cashmere and fur clad fury; a Detroit thug.

The film presents an edgy yet at

times humorous look at the conditions and the characters that make up the urban underpinning of some cities struck by economic and social blight. The flow of the dialogue is natural, and the back and forth sexual and racial epithets between the brothers is what you'd expect from them.

The action is in your face. And the scene of the Mercer house under siege, firebombs and gunshots blaz-

ing, and police sirens wailing in the background about 20 minutes late is believable.

Music plays an integral role in the movie, which features a dynamic Motown soundtrack. Marvin Gaye's "Trouble Man" sets the tone and the lyrics "Smiling faces tell lies..." tells the truth. Echoes of "Shaft" and "Superfly" hang in the air. John Singleton's (no relation) "Boyz n' the Hood" have grown up.



Four Brothers

Review by
Pam & George O. Singleton
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Cast

Mark Wahlberg
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Surgery can relieve dogs' dry eyes

Like people, pets can suffer a "dry eye" syndrome when the glands of the eyes don't produce enough tears. Dogs and cats have two glands for each eye that supply different components of tears, which are necessary to keep the eye lubricated and healthy.

Keratoconjunctivitis sicca, or KCS for short, develops from dysfunction or underdevelopment of the lacrimal glands, tissue that produces the aqueous portion of tears. According to Dr. Erica Tolar, veterinary ophthalmology resident at the University of Illinois Veterinary Teaching Hospital in Urbana, KCS is common in dogs, especially such breeds as English bulldogs, Cocker spaniels, and pugs. The condition is rare in cats.

KCS can be difficult to identify and diagnose. As Dr. Tolar points out, "The eyes can only display limited signs to indicate that something is wrong. Usually the first noticeable sign is redness, but this can indicate many things, including ulceration, glaucoma, and dry eye." She recommends consulting a veterinarian whenever a pet's eyes become reddened.

KCS also sometimes causes a characteristic thick, ropy, green discharge.

To diagnose KCS or other ophthalmic problems, a veterinarian will typically perform at least three procedures. A fluorescein stain applied to the surface of the eye is to reveal corneal ulcers. Measuring the pressure

inside the eye is used to detect glaucoma, an increase in intraocular pressure, or inflammation, which results in decreased pressure. The third is a simple test called a Schirmer tear test, which can help determine if the eye is producing enough tears; a special paper test strip is placed over the lower eyelid, and the veterinarian measures how wet the strip gets. If the strip stays relatively dry, KCS is a likely diagnosis.

Dr. Tolar explains that KCS can be caused by many factors, including immune-mediated destruction, congenital defects, or drug side effects.

Autoimmune conditions may cause the immune system to specifically target and damage lacrimal gland tissue, affecting its ability to produce tears. In these cases, topically applied immune-modulating drugs can help stimulate tear production.

Sometimes KCS can result as a side effect of certain drugs, such as sulfa drugs. Dry eye resulting from drugs may or may not be correctable.

Until the lacrimal glands start producing aqueous tears, usually in several weeks, pet owners must apply tear replacement ointment several times a day to keep pets' eyes lubricated.

For patients whose owners won't mind wiping their pet's face, Dr. Tolar recommends parotid duct transpositions when dogs with KCS don't respond to pharmaceutical treatments.

For more information about pet ophthalmic conditions, contact your veterinarian.

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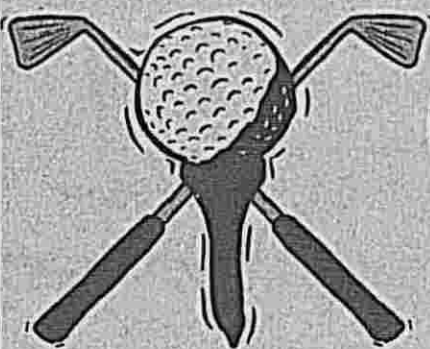
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The beauty of the trails at Independence Grove Forest Preserve near Libertyville in summer is now within reach for Lake County residents who have trouble taking on the trails by foot. If you have physical difficulties getting around, join a Lake County Forest Preserves naturalist for a trailside tour of Independence Grove in a chauffeured, canopied golf cart as part of the Summer Access Cart Tours program.

Tours will be offered on Aug. 27 and Aug. 28. The tours will start at 2:30 p.m. and end at 4 p.m. Cost is \$10 (\$7 for Lake County residents) per person. If you need help transferring into the golf cart, please be sure to register your assistant for the tour.

Registration and prepayment is required. Independence Grove is located on Buckley Road just east of Milwaukee Avenue in Libertyville.

For more information or to register for the Access for All Cart Tours, call 847-968-3321. For more information on Independence Grove and summer programs and events offered at other Forest Preserves throughout Lake County, visit www.LCFPD.org.

Bring your can to Hair Designs Unlimited

Starting Sept. 1, Hair Designs Unlimited, 912 Main, Antioch, 847-395-3338, will be hosting a food drive to benefit the Antioch Food Pantry, located in Open Arms Mission. They will be accepting all unexpired non-perishable food items that do not have to be refrigerated or frozen, also cash donations. The food drive will run from Sept. 1 to Sept. 30. The food pantry will accept any cans, including canned meats and stews, packaged goods such as spaghetti, cereals, soups, rice, etc.

Leon Fleischer piano recital rescheduled for Sept. 8

The Leon Fleischer piano recital originally planned for July 7 at Ravinia has been rescheduled for Sept. 8 at 8 p.m. in the Martin Theatre. Tickets issued for the July date will be honored, and ticket-holders need take no further action. Ticket-holders who cannot attend this new date can make alternate arrangements by phoning the Ravinia Festival Box Office at 847-266-5100.

"Celebration of the Life of Marion Musser Lloyd," a memorial with music in the Martin Theatre from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 21. The program, arranged by Marion's nephew Peter Lloyd, first bass player with the Minnesota Orchestra, includes Ives's "Memories," performed by Peter Lloyd and Ravinia President and CEO Welz Kauffman on piano; Schubert's "Du bist die Rue" and Brahms's German Requiem, sung by Nicole Cabell, accompanied by Kauffman; Schubert's Adagio from String Quintet in C Major, Op. 163; and Mendelssohn's Presto from Octet for Strings in E-flat Major, Op. 20. Other musicians include violinists Qing Hou, Lei Hou, Nathan Cole and Akiko Tarumoto; violists Lawrence Neuman and Yukiko Ogura; and cellist Brant Taylor. There will also be spoken reminiscences and a video presentation.

The memorial is free and open to the public, but reservations are required and can be made by phoning 847-266-5415.

Western Barbeque Party

The public is cordially invited to a Western Barbeque Party on Sept. 10, at Elawa Farm at 1401 Middlefork Drive in Lake Forest. The event starts at 6:30 p.m. and will feature dinner, dancing, live auction, and a tour of the facilities at Elawa. Proceeds will benefit lead and its substance abuse prevention and parent education programs.

Tickets are \$85 per person and reservations should be made by Sept. 6th by calling 847-295-9075.

Mars Resort to host boat meet

Mars Resort on Lake Como will host the 13th Annual Antique Outboard Motor and Boat Meet of the Prop Dusters, the Midwest Chapter of the Antique Outboard Motor Club, Inc., the International organization headquartered in Milwaukee on Sept. 11 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The event will recreate the bygone era of boating on Lake Como and the Geneva Lake area.

There is no charge to participate and the public is invited to come and buy, sell, trade or run their old boats and motors. Outboard motor and boat collectors will be on hand to answer any questions and to help get old equipment running again.

Many antique outboard motors and old wood boats will be on display as well as in use in front of the lake front resort. Motor brand names such as Bendix, Caille, Champion, Clark Troller, Elto, Evinrude, Flambeau, Johnson, Koban, Lockwood, Martin, Mercury, Neptune, Scott-atwater, Thor and Waterman are common at events of this type as well as boats like Century, Dunphy Penn Yan, Speedliner, Switzercraft, Tomahawk, Thompson and Wolverine.

For further information call 262-248-2764.

WRLR to go on air during Labor Day weekend

Five years ago a group of Round Lake Area residents dreamed about the improbable - having a community radio station with local programming. Now the day is almost here for the reality of a WRLR 98.3 FM inaugural broadcast. The station will formally throw the switch on Sept. 2, at 7 p.m. (For the past two weeks the station has been airing test programming.) Officials and other leaders from the various communities that WRLR serves and the public are invited to attend the first broadcast celebration and open house at the station's facilities located at 629 W. Pontiac Court in Round Lake Heights (next door to the village hall).

"We have a diverse lineup of shows with local talent planned for WRLR," said WRLR President Bish Krywko.

For morning drive, 5 a.m. to 9 a.m., Stan Bauer offers up a mix of talk, music, news, traffic and weather. From 9 a.m. to noon, Richard Scrypta hosts Skip's Country Music Show. The evening drive, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. will feature a program called "I Have Issues" with hosts Stack and Diana. On Friday and Saturday evenings from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m., it's the up beat energy of Club Mix with DJ Mike B. Thursday evenings will feature a political pulse program called Village Voices hosted by Round Lake Mayor Bill Gentes. The program will feature elected and public officials as guests and provide listeners the opportunity to ask guests questions and voice their opinions on local affairs."

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Other shows are in the works including various church programs on Sunday mornings, an overnight talk show, local high school football and basketball play-by-play and a program hosted by the Round Lake Area Park District.

"It's our aim to be a dynamic, listener-supported FM radio station dedicated to serving the greater Round Lake Area and western Lake County," said Krywko. "We are a non-profit station supported by listeners and through underwriting by area businesses."

A \$30,000 donation from Lakewood Homes helped propel the station into existence. Donations have also come from Home Depot, Comcast, Nix's Ashley Furniture, Magee-Nagele and Associates, Royal Banquets, Ace Hardware and Classic Printery. Support from area villages and park district have enabled the station to have a home, purchase equipment, and erect a transmitter tower. "The community response has been wonderful. We had a booth set up at the various village feasts this summer, and people in the community are very excited," Krywko said.

The new 100 watt low power station serves more than 100,000 residents living in the Round Lake Area, Hainesville, Lake Villa, Lindenhurst, Grayslake, Ingleside, Long Lake, Fox Lake and other communities in western Lake County.

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Fashion

Preppy and Bohemian-inspired looks make the grade

As budding fashionistas prepare to get back into the school year, picking out what to wear takes top priority. While classic looks like jeans and T-shirts may never go out of style, preppy and bohemian-inspired looks are expected to be all the rage this back-to-school season. The good news for parents: showing skin is no longer in.

"While kids love their jeans, we're seeing a shift into more bohemian-inspired styles and layered looks," said Jennifer DeBarge-Goonan, style expert for Marshalls. "Kids are shaking up the traditional with embroidered tops and eclectic inspired detailing-like sequins and embellishments on everything from jeans to skirts and accessories."

The Trendy

Kids love a little drama in their wardrobe. This season's denim with deconstruction and embroidered details are no exception. For a twist on the traditional, kids are going for styles with rips and sewn-on accents in faded washes. Young hipsters can pair jeans with a collared shirt or T-shirt in bold colors, while teen girls will likely choose a fun camisole or a sweater with three-quarter-length sleeves.

The Prepster

Across the board, older and younger kids are getting into the preppy look by layering T-shirts with colored polo shirts in chocolate brown, lime and orange. Button-down shirts accented with a casual jacket will have kids looking like they just stepped out of a John Hughes film.

The Bohemian

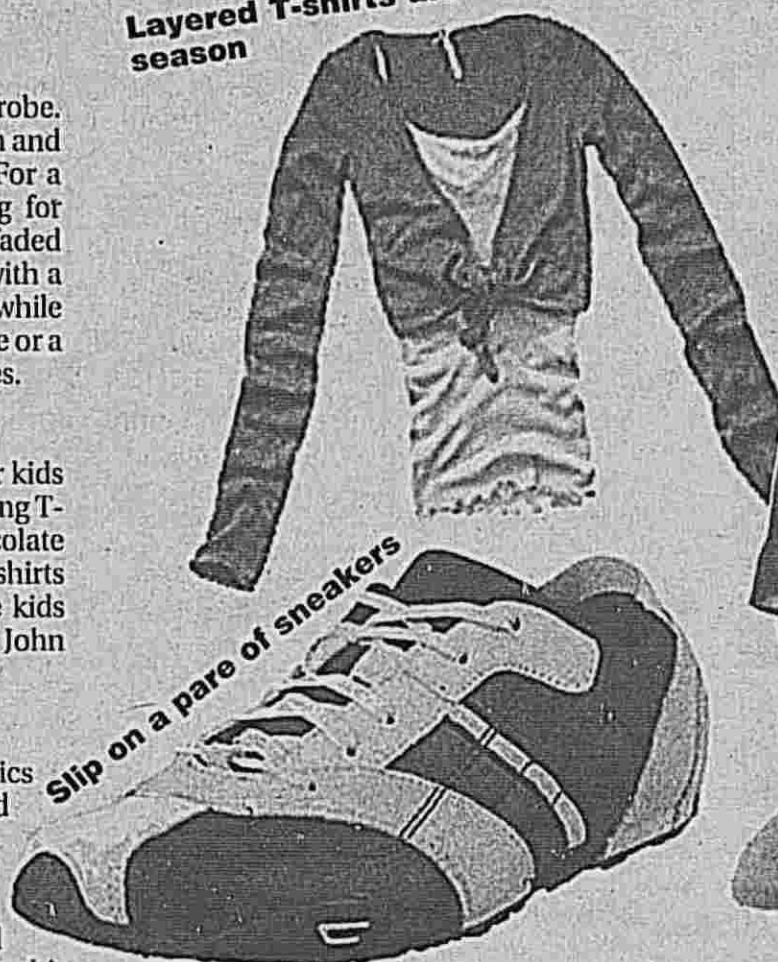
Long skirts, crochet sweaters, tunics and accessories with embroidery and embellishments all represent this worldly, ethnic style and can be found at Marshalls. Pair a tiered skirt with boots and a colorful top or don beaded accessories for added flair. Kids love this

comfy, chic look because it encourages individuality and takes many forms without showing skin.

The Athlete

Athletic-inspired outfits and logo-embellished items from track jackets to T-shirts and backpacks are must-haves for every age. Being on the varsity team is more than just a status symbol; it's a style that younger siblings are anxious to imitate. Boys take this look from the field to the classroom with oversized T-shirts, warm-ups and sneakers.

Layered T-shirts are in style this season



Back-to-school is going "old school" with bohemian and '80s-inspired fashion trends.

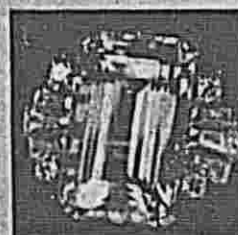
New fashions favor cocoa-colored gems

Chocolate has found its way to the necks, arms, hands, and bodices of fashion runway models.

According to experts at the Gemological Institute of America (GIA), educator to the global gem and jewelry industry, gemstones with warm, brown tones are heating up. Doves of fashionistas are dipping into this latest cocoa-colored fashion trend.

The world's most influential designers in couture apparel and jewelry agree. Many have built their fall fashion menus around shades of brown—from the most delicate caramels and mochas to the darkest chocolates and coffees.

The latest fashion shows in Paris echo the earthy color movement. John Galliano at Christian Dior sent out a crocodile coat with matching hat and lace-up boots in deep brown. Missoni mixed it up with an oversized, abstract floral print in black, white and shades of brown.



This topaz ring is an example of the brownish shades favored by designers for fall jewelry.

Other brown and golden-colored gems that can heat up your fall wardrobe include sunstone, andalusite, citrine, tiger's-eye and amber. Fire opal is also a hot new front-runner in jewelry designs. Smoky quartz is sizzling too. Bold rings and pendants made of rough-cut crystals of quartz with gold and black needle-like inclusions are some of the most loved.

Bronze-colored pearls can't be left out either. From large Tahitians to baroque (asymmetrical) freshwaters, natural- and treated-color pearls come in a range of hues that complement sophisticated fall gem flavors.

The key to wearing the new browns in jewelry is to go for contrast: cognac diamonds juxtaposed with colorless diamonds; bronze pearls alternating with white pearls; and tiger's-eye set in silver, just to name a few possibilities.

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ARIES

Mar 21/Apr 20

Things are looking up this week, and you can expect to hear some good news. Make the most of this stroke of luck, Aries. Share your good fortune with others.



LIBRA

Sept 23/Oct 23

You're confused about a particular situation, Libra, and not seeing events for what they really are. Keep quiet or else you're bound to start trouble unnecessarily.



TAURUS

Apr 21/May 21

You will have much more responsibility to deal with this week, Taurus. Don't let it get you down, though. Higher-ups will be watching and taking note of your work ethic.



SCORPIO

Oct 24/Nov 22

Someone is trying to take advantage of you, Scorpio. Don't give away all of your secrets — you know you're smarter than that. A "friend's" true colors will show through.



GEMINI

May 22/Jun 21

You may think you have everything under control, but when you least expect it, your life will go topsy turvy. The only thing to expect, Gemini, is the unexpected.



SAGITTARIUS

Nov 23/Dec 21

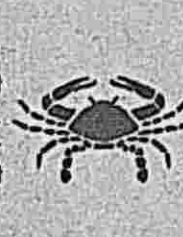
You're invited to be part of an influential group, Sagittarius. Don't pass up the opportunity, even if it requires a financial contribution to get you started.



CANCER

Jun 22/Jul 22

Eliminate the negative thinking that has been holding you back, Cancer. By changing your outlook, you'll certainly change the way others interact with you.



CAPRICORN

Dec 22/Jan 20

Don't mix business with pleasure this week, Capricorn. Otherwise you'll be the center of attention for all the wrong reasons. Pay attention to subtle clues from your peers.



LEO

Jul 23/Aug 23

Expect hidden issues that will leave you with a dilemma. Avoid relationships with coworkers, Leo; it could only lead to trouble. And you don't need any more trouble in your life.



AQUARIUS

Jan 21/Feb 18

Think about what your partner would love to do, Aquarius, and then plan the week's events around his or her likes. You'll win plenty of brownie points.



VIRGO

Aug 24/Sept 22

Don't overspend on entertainment just to impress someone, Virgo. This person should like you for who you are, not what you have. Move on if you feel unappreciated.



PISCES

Feb 19/Mar 20

Watch out for potential money-makers in the week to come, Pisces. You can end up with more cash in your pocket if you play your cards right.



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SPORTS

VIEWPOINT



New team in town: Area
to get IBL representative D3 C4

Kids
mostly let
bullying
slide



LAKELAND
NEWSPAPERS

SNAP SHOTS

"What goes through your
mind when you put \$3 gas
into your tank?"



MIKE
AILPORT
Grayslake

"It's too much
money that can
go to some-
thing better
than gas. I
don't drive but
my mom paid
\$50 to fill up
her Chrysler."



GENE
MURDOCK
Wauconda

"I'm not gonna
be too satisfied
with it. (It cost)
\$32 to fill up (a
Ford pick-up
truck) about a
week and a half
ago."



MEGAN
NEWMAN
Wauconda

"I'm really not
all that affected
by the price
increases I live
locally and I
only drive a
Ford Festiva. I
only put in \$10
of gas each
time I stop for
it."



NANCY
POPULORUM
Wauconda

"It's out-
rageous! I drive a
Toyota Avalon. I
think it cost \$38
or \$39 to fill it
up."



WAYNE
BLAIR
Island Lake

"We are not
really getting
compensated
for what we pay
for the gas,
mileage wise. I
just paid \$32 to
fill up."



TODD
ADAWI
Island Lake

"How can peo-
ple afford it in
their budgets? I
drive a
Plymouth
Neon; I will only
fill up with \$25
to \$30, I won't
put anymore
in."

A PAIN IN THE GAS

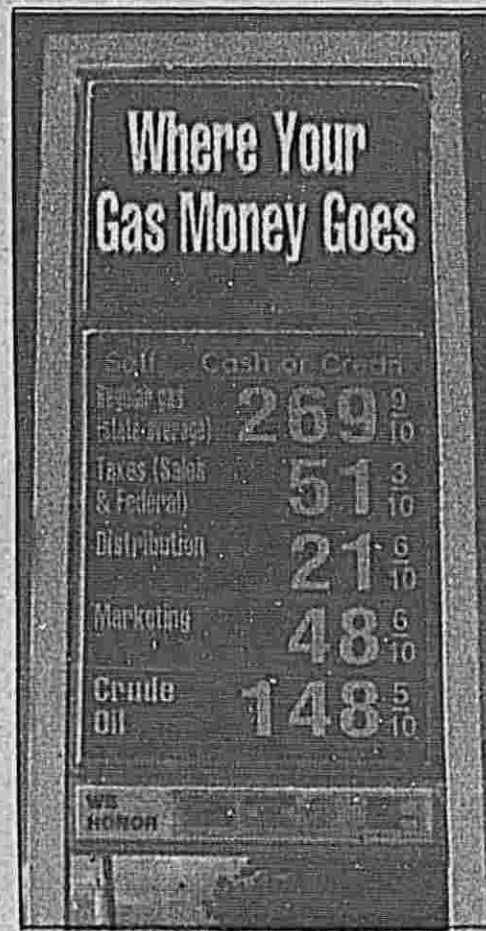


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Based on this week's average of
\$2.70 per gallon for gas, the
breakdown isn't just about the
high price of oil.

By Regan Foster, Kathy Gresey,
Marc Jenkins, Dan Patrick,
Matt Pera and Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporters

Lower-income families feeling pumped

As gas prices have steadily risen this
summer, so has the stress and anxiety
over how to get from point A to point
B—from home to work, from work to
the grocery store, or to pick up the kids from
soccer practice or any other number of chores

rifices are greater, and the options for help are
limited.

Catholic Charities of Lake County, located
at 671 S. Lewis Ave. in Waukegan, is one
organization providing some relief to low-
income families and individuals.

**IN
PERSPECTIVE**
What we pay per gallon
for everyday items



Laundry
detergent,
100 oz.:
\$10.19
a gallon



Red
wine,
750mL:
\$65.56
a gallon



Starbucks
Frappuccino,
16 oz.:
\$28.80
a gallon



Olive
oil,
25.5 oz.:
\$47.64
a gallon



Ice
cream,
16 oz.:
\$31.92
a gallon

that come with the daily routine.

While the worries over those astronomical
rates have permeated nearly everyone's men-
tality, those who fall near or below the poverty
line are perhaps struggling the most. The sac-

John Turner, who is the department direc-
tor for community casework at Catholic
Charities, said people with severely limited

Please see **PUMPED** / C3

Commuters wonder when it will end

Get your motor running, head out on the
highway. Watch your checkbook dwindle,
as gas prices suck your life away.

OK, so it's not exactly poetry and it's no
Steppenwolf, but it's at the forefront of Lake County
commuter's minds each time they pull into the fill-
ing station. As gas prices
teetered precariously on
the edge of \$3 per gallon
on Monday, residents
agreed that pay-at-the-
pump could be more
accurately described as
"pain at the pump."

"I hate them," Fox
Lake resident Lois Gault
said of gas prices. "I have to drive a little over 20
miles each way to work and back and it costs me a
lot of money."

Gault, a nurse who works in Lake Forest, esti-
mated that she spent between \$25 and \$30 a week
to power her Toyota Matrix. That's no small chunk
of change, since her vehicle could get around 30

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A LAKELAND
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SPECIAL
REPORT

Higher prices take toll on local businesses

Kathy Regnier recently saw an extra charge on
her plumbing bill. On top of paying for serv-
ice, she was charged for fuel.

It's an idea that has Regnier and other business
owners thinking. Should they be passing the buck
on to their consumers?

Regnier owns KJ Promotions in Lake Villa and

delivers goods throughout Lake County and as far
as Wisconsin. She said such deliveries are hitting
her bottom line hard. Gas prices are too much, she

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Paddock, Lakeland Media end negotiations

Paddock Ventures LLC and Lakeland Media have announced that they have agreed to terminate negotiations regarding the purchase of Lakeland Media by Paddock Ventures LLC.

"We've agreed to terminate negotiations," said William H. Schroeder, publisher of Lakeland Media. "We plan on continuing to produce quality local newspapers and advertising products."

"I am still going forward with reducing my workload and my plans for retirement."

WHAT WE'RE PAYING

A sampling of prices per gallon at select Lake County gas stations. Price is for regular unleaded gasoline.

Station	Address	Reg. price
Amoco Oil	1275 N. Rt. 83, Grayslake	\$2.76
Shell Grayslake	1805 E. Belvidere Rd., Grayslake	\$2.76
Citgo Libertyville	109 S. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville	\$2.73
60/83 Shell	1991 W. Maple Ave., Mundelein	\$2.79
Citgo Super Quik	Mundelein	\$2.75
Marathon	39039 Lewis Ave., Beach Park	\$2.65
Sunset Shell	2135 N. Green Bay Rd., Waukegan	\$2.65
Beig's Amoco	2601 Grand Ave., Waukegan	\$2.81
Grand & I-94 Shell	6050 Grand Ave., Gurnee	\$2.74
Speedway West	Gurnee	\$2.76
Riverside Mobil	226 N. Rt. 21, Gurnee	\$2.77
Amoco Oil	31699 N. US Highway 12, Volo	\$2.77
Marathon Service	233 W. Washington St., Round Lake	\$2.79
Round Lake Citgo	221 W. Rollins Rd., Round Lk. Beach	\$2.69
Clark Oil	399 W. Liberty St., Wauconda	\$2.79
Citgo Gas Station	27161 W. Grass Lake Rd., Antioch	\$2.73
E&K BP	984 IL Route 59, Antioch	\$2.75
Fox Lake Citgo	49 N. US Highway 12, Fox Lake	\$2.71
Citgo Lake Villa	Rt. 83 and Rt. 132, Lake Villa	\$2.69
Lindenhurst Mobil	2200 E. Grand Ave., Lindenhurst	\$2.75

All prices accurate as of Aug. 22.

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Cheaper is better for most of us at the pump. High octane gas does not do anything for engines that don't need it. In fact, it can even hurt it. Higher octane gas is slower-burning gas and as such, it can send unburned fuel into the emissions system and catalytic converter, placing unnecessary stress on the emissions system.

Only older cars that knock and high-performance, high-compression, free-revving engines like Corvettes, Porsches and Ferraris need high octane gas. If you want to know exactly what a car needs, just read the factory manual—it'll say exactly what kind of gas that you need and anything higher is like burning money. It just doesn't make sense.

GAS MILEAGE TIPS

The old A/C vs. open windows debate

For a long time, it has been widely debated as to whether it's better to drive with the windows open or the A/C on. Well the answer is that it depends. Driving around the town at low speeds, losing aerodynamics by opening up the windows will not affect fuel mileage, conversely, driving at high speeds with the windows down creates drag, which can rob your car of fuel mileage. Just remember this cheesy rhyme: Around town, put the windows down, on the highway, it's an A/C day.

Avoid sudden acceleration, braking

Inertia! It's probably a word most of us haven't heard about since middle school, but it takes energy to speed up and slow down. By avoiding "putting the pedal to the metal" and slamming on the brakes, drivers can stretch out fuel mileage.

Savings: 5 percent in the city, 33 percent on the highway

Slow down!

Most automobiles are running at their most fuel efficient at approximately 50 to 60 miles per hour. For every mile per hour above that speed, cars lose lots of precious fuel mileage. You can save lots of trips to the gas station by simply following the speed limit.

Savings: 7 percent to 23 percent

Remove excess weight

Besides cutting down on the clutter factor within cars, removing unnecessary items can save money at the pump.

Use cruise control and overdrive: Inertia has reared its head again. Using cruise control on the highway will maintain a constant speed, as opposed to burning gas (and dollars) speeding up and slowing down on the road. Car manufacturers know a thing or two about saving engine wear and coincidentally fuel mileage with overdrive gears. Overdrive lowers engine speed and in turn saves gas.

Savings: 1 percent to 2 percent per 100 pounds

Keep your engine properly tuned

Repairing an out-of-tune automobile that has failed an emissions test can improve fuel mileage. After all, a healthy engine is a better engine.

Savings: 4.1 percent

Tires, tires, tires

Everyone needs to remember that the only thing between your car (and subsequently, you) and the pavement are an automobile's tires. Besides hurting a car's handling and braking response, under-inflated tires can lower gas mileage by 0.4 percent for every pound per square inch drop in pressure.

Savings: 3.3 percent

Source: www.fueleconomy.gov

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SUV, truck sales hurt by high gas prices

As car dealers begin to sell their '06 models, a number of companies are making deals too hard to ignore for some people. Financing and discounts are there to tempt buyers, and the plan seems to be working in many cases.

However, in some areas, the enticement of the deal does not extend to trucks and SUVs.

Guy Droze, sales manager at Raymond Chevrolet in Antioch, is certain that sales for the larger SUVs and trucks have slowed down, but he expects a rise in the mid-size vehicles.

"As gas prices climb, things are going to change," Droze said. "It's not that people won't keep their Suburbans and Tahoes, but they might have a second, smaller car that they use more often. If people want to haul their horses, they're going to need a bigger vehicle."

"With the GM employee pricing, new car sales have picked up," he said. "Typically, SUV sales tend to be even year round, but this year may be different."

At Sessler Ford in Libertyville, sales manager Bill Baroud said the company's employee discount pricing has increased sales in the past 45 days. In fact, sales haven't been this good since 2001, he said.

"It's all relative to where you are. Here in Libertyville I don't think it makes a difference. When you spend \$45,000 on a car, \$2 or \$3 a gallon (for gas) won't make much difference," he said. On the other hand with the discount, \$8,000 to \$10,000 makes a huge difference, he said.

Fox Lake Chrysler Dodge has felt the effects of high gas prices.

"They haven't been buying big trucks for three or four months," sales manager Kevin Galley said. "It used to be a big seller but because of gas prices, we're not really selling any."

By Ginny Skweres • Staff Reporter

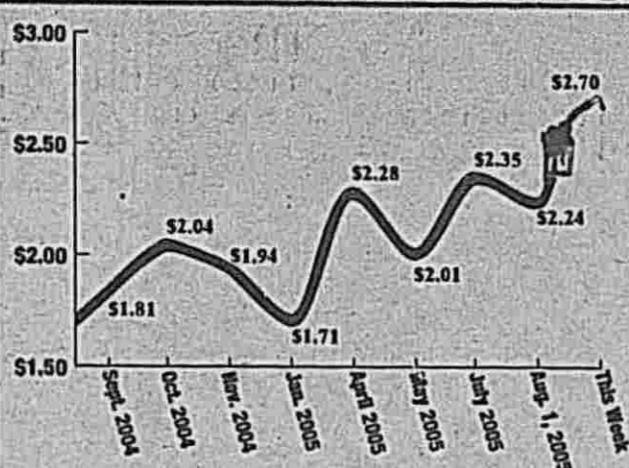
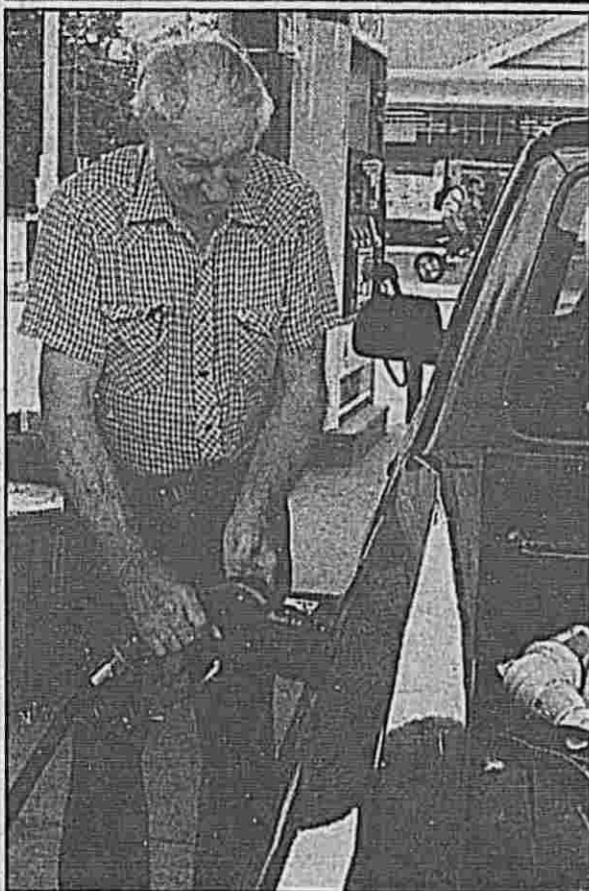


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(Left) After filling up a portable jug with gas for his lawn mower, Gene Murdock of Wauconda finishes filling up his small pickup truck at the Minuteman Citgo station in Wauconda. (Above) Gas prices have risen from \$1.81 a gallon 11 months ago to an all-time high of \$2.70 a gallon today.

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budgets have felt an even greater pinch at the gas pump this summer.

"They're taking a hit and what they're doing is they're having to decide how to spend their money," he said. "I just talked to a gas station (employee) the other day and he said the actual volume of gallons sold has not gone down but people are making other decisions about not spending money on other items."

Bonnie Larriuz, a case manager with the emergency assistance program at Catholic Charities, said the group has tried to help people who require transportation but cannot afford it.

She helps provide low-income individuals with a week's worth of bus passes or two \$5 gas cards. The program is meant for people who need to get to a job interview, who need transportation for their first week at a new job, who have an important medical appointment, or who are getting ready for their first week of school.

While bus passes are still available, Larriuz said the gas cards were long gone for the month of August.

Jones said the clients aren't the only ones who are suffering.

"It affects our volunteers, like people who deliver food for meals on wheels," he said. "A lot of them have to drop out because gas is so expensive."

By Matt Pera • Staff Reporter

BUSINESS

said.

"It's gotten into my profit because there are goods that I have to pick up and deliver," she said. "I delivered goods to Kenosha last Friday and it probably cost me \$8 more in gas. That was for just one delivery."

At some point, she would probably have to pass that higher gas price onto customers. Consumers are totally unaware that her business has been affected by skyrocketing prices, she said.

All she can do to offset the increased cost of making deliveries is look for the cheapest gas prices and hope even those prices go down, she said.

The situation is the same for businesses throughout Lake County. The gouge has affected everyone.

Sawvell Tree Service in Mundelein is no exception.

"I paid double the price for gas for the month," said Ray Sawvell, owner. "That's off-road and on-road (vehicles)."

Sawvell's company has seven dump trucks and eight off-

IN PERSPECTIVE

What we pay per gallon for everyday items

Perfume, 2.5 oz.:

\$1,689.09 a gallon

Shampoo, 13.5 oz.:

\$37.83 a gallon

Bottled water, 33 oz.:

\$6.82 a gallon

Salsa, 16 oz.:

\$24.01 a gallon

Ranch dressing, 16 oz.:

\$28.72 a gallon

Beer, 72 oz.:

\$9.23 a gallon

Cough syrup, 8 oz.:

\$127.84 a gallon

Grape juice, 46 oz.:

\$9.71 a gallon

Baby food, 4 oz.:

\$18.88 a gallon

Note: Prices taken from an area grocery.

By Marc Jenkins

COMMUTERS

miles-per-gallon in the city; but it was still reasonable, comparatively.

As she watched the gas gauge click its way to a final resting point of just over \$51—or 18.45 gallons—Lakemoor hair colorist Jenni Fellino explained that her newly purchased 2005 Nissan Murano was relatively economical.

"That's why I got rid of my old car because of the gas prices," she said. "I went from about \$75 per week to \$47."

Just weeks ago, Fellino was driving a Lexus SUV with a sporty but less-than-financially conservative engine. While she said downgrading her vehicle was a pretty major sacrifice to the gas-guzzling gods, she noted that it wasn't the only concession she made.

"I limit my errands to help," Fellino added.

For Maria Zacharias, the exact extent of the fuel-price growing pains had yet to be seen. Zacharias, of Lakemoor, spent the summer on maternity leave but was gearing up to return to work in Libertyville next month.

She said she wasn't looking forward to learning the cost of driving a family-friendly Ford SUV on a day-to-day basis.

"Now I'll be driving to Libertyville, which I'm sure means I'll feel that," she said.

By Regan Foster • Staff Reporter

road forestry unit vehicles. He said that last year, he paid half as much to keep his fleet of trucks and off-road vehicles fueled.

"Everyone's been hit," he said. "I'm just coping like everyone else."

The Grayslake Post Office and the entire U.S. Postal Service is paying more as well.

The company has used automation and upselling to offset the cost of gas, said Grayslake Postmaster Jim Bailey.

"Automation has helped us save money...and we upsell like any other business," he said.

Grayslake mail carriers aren't even expected to seek out lower gas prices when they refuel their trucks, said Bailey. It would cost them more to look for that gas in the long run, he said.

The company is saving money in other ways.

"We're working smarter, not harder," he said.

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Existing network should be priority

Gov. Rod Blagojevich's criticism of President Bush's ringing endorsement of Prairie Parkway comes as somewhat of a shock. Last time we looked, Democrats have as much affection for pork barrel road building projects as Republicans. The governor, of course, put a partisan Democratic twist on the highway building plan for west suburban counties. He said it makes more sense to invest in immediate transit needs like Chicago (of course) than aiding highway transportation in the out fringes of suburbia. More correctly—and honestly—his criticism would have been appropriate if he covered transportation needs in Illinois, wherever they exist. The governor could ask grid-lock weary Lake County commuters for their input as a starter.

What caught the governor's eye, and many other critics of the highway transportation mess in Illinois, was the \$207 million down payment included in the \$286 billion federal transportation bill for building a new highway connection in Kane and Kendall counties.

Prairie Parkway is near and dear to mostly Republican west suburban politicians including House Speaker Dennis Hastert. Blagojevich's remark really wasn't off target. What the governor did do, though, was give heart to Prairie Parkway opponents, like Citizens Against the Sprawlway. All the glowing rhetoric gave rise to an observation from the citizens group that the highway spending focus should be on the existing highway network rather than creating whole new projects.

The public discourse over Prairie Parkway is an eerie repetition of the controversy generated 10 years ago over the revival of the dusty and musty Rte. 53 extension project of a four-lane superhighway that would split Lake County and do little or nothing to correct age-old east-west traffic movement problems.

The truth is that the Illinois Dept. of Transportation stays in business studying a lot of "this and that," only getting around to the business of building when pushed by people in high places like the Speaker of the House. The question is whether Hastert will remain in power long enough to get the job done. The Rte. 53 movement ran out of power broker leverage a long time ago.

Taxpayers and the driving public are best served when they rally around the cause for improving the existing transportation network. If Gov. Blagojevich really means what he says, bully for him. We applaud citizens groups for their enlightened and intelligent criticism of grandiose "Pie in the Sky" highway building schemes that trample the environment, respond to the needs and demands of special interest groups, open the public checkbook to unconscionable plunder and do not serve to get motorists from here to there faster and safer.

High five salute for Navy base

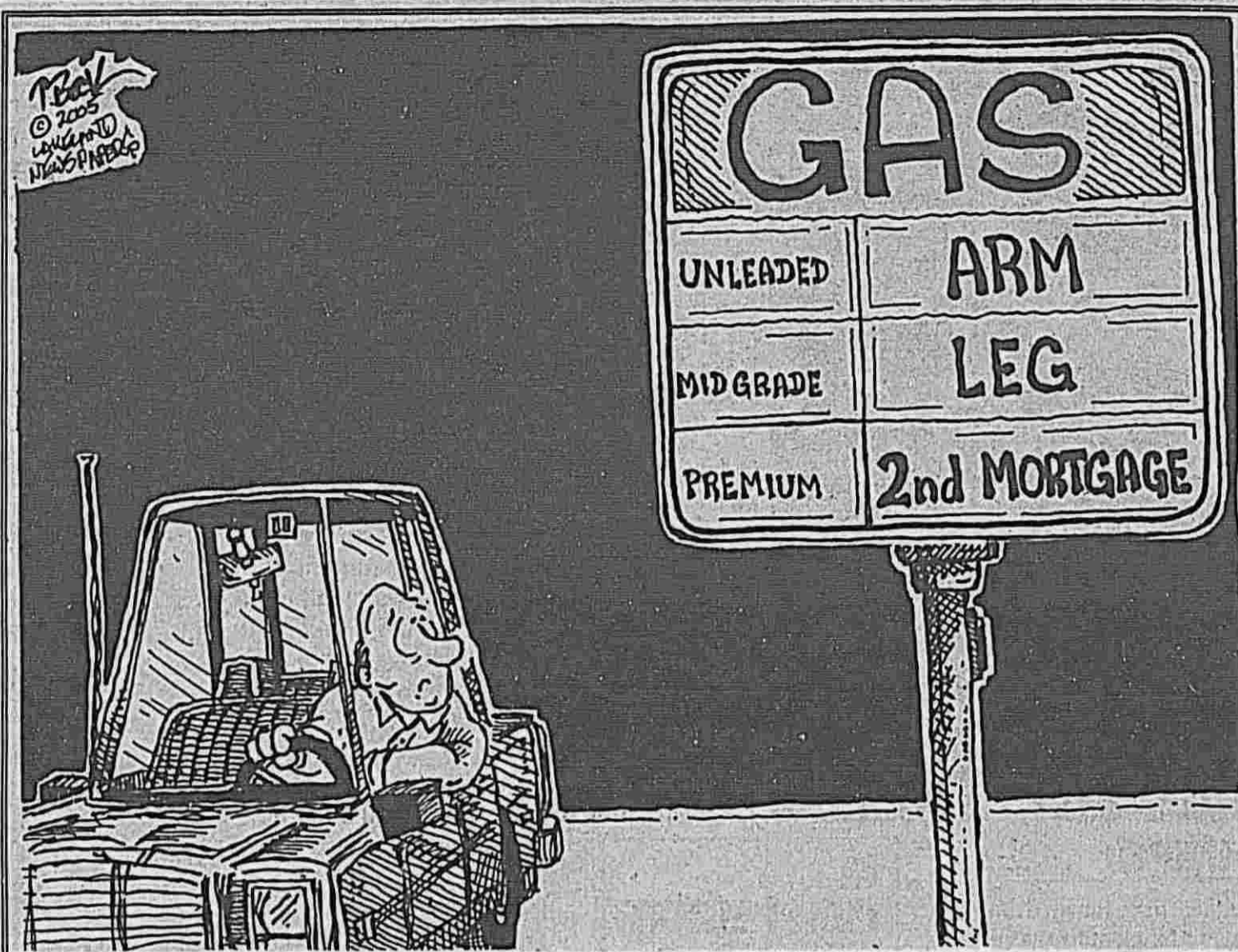
Departing after two years as commanding officer of Great Lakes Naval Training Station, Capt. Kathryn Hobbs had lots of nice things to say about the venerable military installation and the surrounding Lake County community.

Hobbs, an up-from-the-ranks military careerist who is going on to a new post on the Pentagon, spoke out at the traditional change of command ceremony where her successor officially takes command. What made Capt. Hobbs' remarks especially meaningful was her emphasis on the "people side" of Great Lakes, both military personnel, their families and civilian employees. She said her Great Lakes experience was "about this team really doing good things."

With constant change a common denominator, Great Lakes is undergoing significant infra-structure improvements along with the construction of new training facilities that is transforming the boot training experience for the 60,000 recruits who go through the training center every year. The departing CO talked about renovations planned next year for the landmark boat house and some of the historic buildings on the base that have been part of Lake County for three quarters of a century.

Looking to the future, Hobbs said the next five or 10 years will see continued growth with new commands being established. People want to come to Great Lakes, she said. "The base has a wonderful reputation and so does the region." Effusive and upbeat, Capt. Hobbs forecast Great Lakes becoming a regional headquarters with two admirals to head up training and the region. For Navy people, Great Lakes is a great place to come to for good family life and get promoted, Capt. Hobbs avowed. For civilians the base will be "wonderful," she enthused. Capt. Hobbs mentioned her enthusiasm for a public-private venture that will result in attractive housing at Glenview and Fort Sheridan besides Great Lakes. She is encouraged to see improvements taking place in the North Chicago school system.

Well spoken, Capt. Hobbs. Fair winds for the future.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Successful breakfast

Contrary to what you printed, I am not trying to soften up anyone. It's called communication with the businesses and responding to their concerns. Nothing more, nothing less. Since your paper didn't cover it, I'm sure that you didn't know about my breakfast meeting where I invited every sales tax producing business in town. I would estimate 60 came and virtually everyone of them thanked me and asked that I do it again. You see, no one has ever done this before in Libertyville and they were very appreciative that we would care about their opinions. The goal here is to increase sales tax revenues that will help both the local businesses and the village.

Since I am not a negative person, in the future rather than print a vague statement about what my "detractors" are saying, how about a positive statement or article from some of the business that are happy that we are taking their concerns seriously. Regarding the SSA comment, that issue has been talked about here for many years under the previous mayor. This is not a new subject.

*Jeff Harger, Mayor
Village of Libertyville*

something that will benefit Grayslake as a whole. Originally, we thought an establishment similar to the Deer Park shopping center would be a lovely addition to the area. However, after learning about some of the village board and county proceedings in regards to this matter, we are extremely disappointed, to say the least.

At present, nobody seems to have a clear idea what proposals are being entertained for the development, what the impact on traffic, and the environment will be, and who will be paying for all of this. Why are residents of Grayslake being kept in the dark about development plans, and what is your overall vision for Grayslake as a community as well the neglected "downtown" area?

Think about the already overburdened schools. We support commercial development, but we do not approve of another "big box" store. A "Deer Park" development would be a wonderful amenity, but the traffic situation must be addressed first in order to allow it. We don't like the idea of any residential, because the potential for more children entering our already over-crowded schools is too great a risk to bear.

*Michael and Deidre Schwartz
Grayslake*

Doesn't like driving

If the residents of Round Lake Beach don't want the new Super Wal-Mart, and the residents of Grayslake don't want a shopping mall at the Lake County Fairgrounds, tell the developers to come on over to Round Lake. We could sure use some nice stores along Route 60 or Route 120, because I'm tired of having to drive four or five miles or more through bad traffic to get to any store bigger than a "mini-mart". I guess that those residents don't realize that good, convenient shopping is a big part of what makes an area desirable to live in.

*Brad Ogilvie
Round Lake*

Don't like residential

We were extremely excited about the potential for the Lake County Fairgrounds property to develop into

Build to live

I look around at the progress Grayslake has made since we moved in and I hate a lot of it. I hate the condos downtown! What were they thinking? What an eye sore! The Grayslake Schools have dropped classes. The Library has no books. The pool is too small for the community! There are no really great restaurants here. No great shopping. No theater, no art galleries. The skate park is the only entertainment for the kids.

Could someone please tell me where the heck does \$11,000 in annual property taxes go?

Open your eyes and really look at this community. Let's build this community so that people actually want to live here, want to work here, want to shop here, want to visit!

*Pam Corrigan
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VIEWPOINT

Kids mostly let bullying slide



Bill Schroeder
Publisher

After studying the problem and effects of bullying, Woodland Middle School administrators confirmed what is pretty well known. Bullying is a fact of school life (maybe life in general). Kids don't like it. But they deal with bullying. School officials don't like bullying, but it's a struggle to do some about this human condition that surfaces in the young and carries on often in some form through life.

In a survey taken of 1,200 students, it was found that 51 percent of the kids had a benign acceptance or indifference, reported West Principal Scott Snyder. "That's the way it is."

As a form of intervention, Woodland spent \$5,700 for 74 new hallway mirrors. The mirrors are supposed to serve two purposes: 1. Give monitors a heads up on misbehavior; 2. remind the kids that they are being watched.

Special Education Supervisor Joe Vaal is advocating more training for administrators so they can recognize bullying. Victims often aren't much help, the survey found. Twenty-nine percent of the students said examples of thuggish behavior was "just kids playing around." Copping an attitude of non-involvement, about a fifth of the children taking part on the survey found questionable treatment by fellow students "not bad."

Walkie-talkie equipped hall monitors might help. The administrators indicated that beefed up adult presence would help while kids pass between calls, when the bulk of bullying occurs. Additional personnel could be hired or existing staff could be given a stipend for additional duty during lunch hour.

My first—and last experience with bullying as a school kid—took place in third grade. I objected to getting shoved around by "Big John," the tallest and fattest kid in class. We agreed to settle our differences with a fist fight under the elm tree in my backyard after school. If I was getting the worst of it, my plan was to duck to safety through the back door. Circled by our classmates, John and I each threw some punches. If any of the jabs landed it was lightly. No bloody noses. No bruised knuckles. Mostly heavy breathing and a lot of jumping around. The encounter was over practically before it started. No winner. No loser. But no more bullying either.

Woodland administrators are disturbed that so many kids are willing to "deal with" jerky behavior. Not all that bad a lesson to learn at an early age. All of us have to learn to handle jerks the rest of our life. And there won't be a monitor with a walkie-talkie or a backyard slugfest to help.



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Drew memorial widely lauded

Seldom has a governmental decision been accorded the ringing approval sounded on naming the new Waukegan City Hall the **Daniel T. Drew** Municipal Complex to honor the memory of a former mayor whose untimely death cut short a laudable career in public service.

Drew died in 2002 at age 53 after service as mayor for nine months. His career in public service covered more than three decades, including service on a parochial school board, city collector, park district finance director and city treasurer for four years.

The governmental center was designed by Legat Architects of Waukegan. Ironically, completed plans were presented to Mayor Drew the day before he died. Construction of a new municipal building was started under the term of former Mayor Bill Durkin. Current Mayor Richard Hyde considers the building "a dream come true."

The building was put into use unnamed nearly a year ago. All Waukegan city offices now are under one roof.

Stateline bound

State Rep. **JoAnn Osmond** (R-Antioch) can't get used to be considered a downstater when serving in Springfield. "I can't go any farther north," exclaimed the first term assemblywoman whose district runs along the Wisconsin stateline. By tradition in the Illinois General Assembly, every member not from Cook County or Chicago is considered a "downstater."

Prediction

State Rep. **Robert Churchill** (R-Grayslake) will announce that he formally will join the field of candidates seeking the Republican nomination for Congress from the 8th Dist. Churchill has been under speculation for many months. The pathway to the nomination was cleared when

State Rep. Mark Beaubien (R-Barrington Hills) said he would remain in the State Legislature.

Downtown help

Antioch Village Trustee **Larry Hanson** is advocating that newly elected Mayor **Dorothy Larson** create a separate committee to manage sales tax monies the village will receive from the new Wal-Mart store. Under a proposal presented by Trustee Barbara Porch, 25 percent of the Wal-Mart sales tax will be set aside in a fund for downtown development. Hanson didn't support the election of Larson, but he feels she will make the right decision for benefitting downtown.

GOP dreams

In circulation in Republican circles is mention of a "Dream Team" for Republican opposition against Mayor **Rod Blagojevich** next year. The team would be composed of former Gov. **Jim Edgar** running for his old post of State Treasurer **Judy Barr Topinka** going on the ballot for lieutenant governor.

Corporate help

Two prominent Lake County corporations insured the success of the 6th annual golf outing of CASA, Court Appointed Special Advocates. More than \$64,000 was raised at Thunderhawk Golf Club, Beach Park, with the help of 120 golfers and backing of Hewitt Associates of Lincolnshire and CDW Vernon Hills and Mettawa. The money will help abused children who appear in Juvenile Court.

Support lacking

Opponents of former Antioch Mayor **Taso Maravellas** still are snickering over his strategy, revealed recently, of "winning in Fox Lake even if losing in Antioch."



Drew: Memorial benefits lifetime record as public servant.



Osmond: 'Up' is 'down' in Springfield geography lesson.



Churchill: Guessing game would conclude with campaign.



Hanson: Downtown funds will be put to good use.

Maravellas reportedly was lining up support to swap his banquet hall at Rte. 59 and Grand Ave. for lakefront property that would be developed for condos if support could be organized in Fox Lake's village hall.

Lab expert hired

Jerry Rivard, former animal lab manager for G.D. Searle & Co., is the new head of McHenry County Animal Control, an agency under severe scrutiny by animal protection activists. Humane society spokespersons immediately scored Rivard's background in laboratory work rather than shelter care. Activists pushed for a no-kill policy which is part of an overhaul of the agency. Rivard's pay was set at \$55,000 per year.

COMMENTARY

AFL-CIO—Divorce after 50 years



SEEING IT THROUGH

John Matijevich

Anniversaries are supposed to be happy events, often celebrating many years of happy and loyal togetherness. A "Golden Anniversary" always carries a special meaning, because of the longevity of a happy union.

In late July, the AFL-CIO met at its convention in Chicago for what was supposed to be a joyous celebration of the 50th Anniversary of its merger to become the most powerful labor organization in the country. Using the baseball analogy, "there is no joy in Mudville; the powerful Casey just struck out."

After 50 years of being together as a union, it appears that about one-third of the over 15 million AFL-CIO members will bolt the organization. Two of the largest dissident unions, the Teamsters with 1.4 million and the Service Employees International with 1.8 million members, chose to announce their "walkout" to coincide with the Chicago convention by boycotting the event. Other large unions that appear to follow the walkout are the 1.4 million Food and Commercial Workers, 800,000 Laborers' Union, 450,000 Hotel and Restaurant Employees. Some smaller unions are also threatening to leave the AFL-CIO.

Most political commentators are characterizing the breakup as one destined to severely harm the interests of the Democratic Party. After all, it is common knowledge the Democrat candidates lean heavily on support from organized labor.

But, James P. Hoffa, president of the Teamsters and principal spokesman of group that calls itself the "Change to Win Coalition," said that the AFL-CIO has spent too much time, effort, and money on politics when they should be spending more time and money on organizing to gain more members within its

unions

Of course, the hierarchy within the AFL-CIO like to think that the whole shake-up is about power and leadership. They believe that the dissidents would not have been satisfied unless John Sweeney, President of the AFL-CIO stepped aside, and that wasn't about to happen.

I'll admit that I don't know all that did lead to the very surprising "divorce." And I don't know what all of the ramifications will be. My guess though, is that it is way too early to sound the death knell of the Democratic Party because of the labor split.

The truth be known, Hoffa and Andrew Stern, president of the Service Employees International Union, have a point when they bemoan the declining membership of the AFL-CIO. When the two powerhouses merged in 1955, 33 percent of American workers belonged to unions; now that has dropped to 12.5 percent. What is even more disturbing is that only 8 percent of private sector workers belong to a union. That's about as low as you can get; if it goes any lower, the union workers will be an "endangered species," and that will be bad for everybody, including the country. It is true that, in comparison, 36 percent of public employees are unionized, but even that can be vastly improved.

From the political standpoint, I could see weakness in labor influence, particularly beginning with the Reagan years. It was then that the "hardhats for Reagan" were exploited and so many rank-and-file union members were more concerned about gun owners' rights and other social issues. That may have satisfied their personal ego but it did nothing to solidify the bread-and-butter and real labor issues that were at the heart of the labor successes that strengthened the union move-

ment for so many years.

As the unions have declined, corporate America has strengthened. Isn't that what brought American workers together to fight the almost slave labor and working conditions of many years past? It is happening again with corporate America sticking its noses at American workers to ship out their production to the cheapest employees they can find. That's not good for the future of American workers and I don't believe that it is good for our country either.

So I don't look at the dark side of this breakup within the organized labor movement. I believe that things have deteriorated for so long that something had to be done. Not enough labor leaders were doing anything to reverse the slide, and many were satisfied that their positions were "secure," some even cozying with corporations that were shipping out their workforce faster than one could count them.

It used to be a medal of honor for a working man or woman to boast "I am a proud member of organized labor and the labor movement." So much good came out of those productive years, and out of it, the quality of life improved for both union and non-union workers all across America.

It is sad to say that, at this time, labor is disorganized and for some time there has been little movement in fact, mostly a decline. So I believe that something just had to be done. We're losing jobs here. Wages of jobs have stagnated.

It might just be that this breakup in the AFL-CIO might just organize all American workers to "see the light," and get as many of them as possible to save America from corporate greed. If nothing is done, the union worker will be a "vanishing breed." For the good of America, that can't happen.

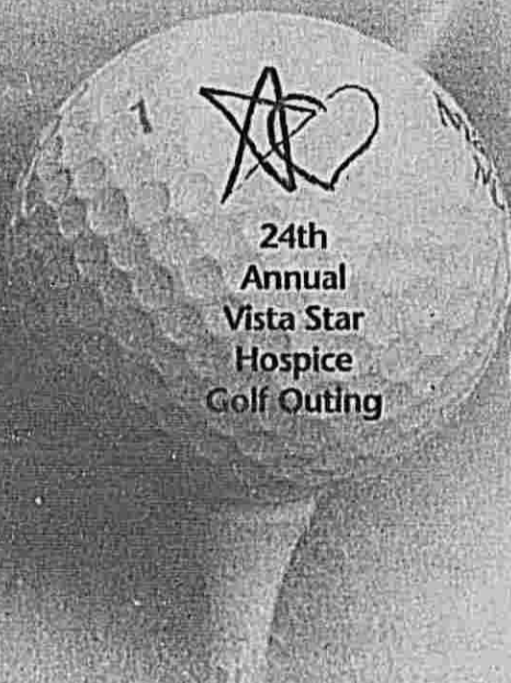
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MRC volunteers can be active, inactive or

retired health professionals, students in health professions and others with related skills. Volunteers may include physicians, nurses, dentists, pharmacists, mental health practitioners, laboratory and radiology technicians, medical students and non-medical personnel. All volunteers receive quarterly training in emergency preparedness and response.

MRC volunteer duties could include assisting public health emergency response teams with disease surveillance, education, vaccination and/or distribution of medication and supporting local public health programs, such as children's health fairs and flu clinics.

Those interested in becoming a MRC volunteer can register online or download an application off the Web site. The MRC's Web site is www.co.lake.il.us/health/mrc/default.asp. For more information, call Chet Splitt at 847-377-8358 or e-mail csplitt@co.lake.il.us.

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Lucille C. Greer

Age 77, of Lake Villa, died Aug. 22 at her home. She was born in Chicago, the daughter of Edward and Catherine Miller, and moved to Lake Villa in 1950.

In 1946, she married Loyd Greer in Chicago. She worked for Baxter Laboratory and Anchor Coupling before her retirement. Greer was a member of Prince of Peace Church of Lake Villa.

Surviving are: Her children Gary (Jane) Geer of Antioch, Robert (Carol) Geer of Wake Forest, N.C., and Ronald (Pam Macella) Geer of Lake Villa; eight grandchildren, siblings, Edward Miller of Allentown, Pa. and Patricia (Richard) Rima of Joliet; and many friends. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1992 and sister, Dorothy Sterba.

Services were held Aug. 25 at Prince of Peace Church, 135 S. Milwaukee Ave. Private interment followed at Highland Memorial Park in Libertyville. Visitation was held on Aug. 24 from 4 to 8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in her memory may be made to the American Cancer Society or Condell Hospice.

Lorraine L. Fick

Age 81, of Fox Lake and Spring Grove, dies Aug. 21 at her home. She was born in Chicago in 1924 to Benjamin and Annie (nee Shuwie) Johnson and was employed as a sales clerk at Wiebolts Department Store in Chicago.

She also worked with Sears in Fox Lake for more than 17 years before her retirement. She was a member of Lutheran Church of All Saints in Fox Lake and volunteered her time at the Pioneer Center in McHenry and the Veterans Administration in North Chicago. Fick was a member of the Lakes Region American Legion Post 703 Ladies Auxillary where she held many offices, including past president.

She is survived by her children: Frank (Laura Lee Rust) Variny Sr., of Antioch, and Steven Variny of McHenry; grandchildren; great-grandchildren; niece; friends and extended family. She was preceded in death by: Her husbands, Oscar "Robert" Fick and John Variny; her daughter-in-law, Kathleen Variny; and by her parents.

Visitation was on Aug. 23 from 5 to 9 p.m. at the K.K. Hamsher Funeral Home, 12 N. Pistakee Lake Road, Fox Lake; and on Aug. 24 from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Lutheran Church

of All Saints, 5800 State Park Road, Fox Lake. Services followed at 10 a.m. at the church. Interment was in Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville.

Memorials may be made in her memory to the Pioneer Center, 4150 Ponca St., McHenry, attention Claudia Hickey, Ponca House.

William F. "Bill" Cecil

Age 79, of Lake Forest, formerly of Libertyville, died Aug. 15 at his home. He was born in Binghamton, N.Y. in 1926 and was a 1944 graduate of Binghamton High School. He graduated from the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta in 1947.

Following college, Cecil served as an officer in the Navy for 25 years, obtaining the rank of commander before retiring in 1969. He moved to Libertyville following retirement, and to Lake Forest Place in 2004.

He began a second career in 1970, when he took a job with the International division of Abbott Laboratories. He kept that position for 20 years, retiring in 1990. After retirement, he returned to school and received a Ph.D. from the University of Illinois, Chicago, in 1999.

Cecil was a member and elder of the First Presbyterian Church in Libertyville and a former director of personal affairs for the Military Officers Association of America.

Surviving are his children, Mark Cecil of Madison, Wis., and Karen (Robert) Hanmer of Glenview. He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Gladys Cecil, and his wife, Francis Cecil in 1971.

Services were held on Aug. 23 at the First Presbyterian Church in Libertyville. Visitation was one hour prior to the service at the church and continued with a luncheon at noon. Interment was at the Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Navy Marine Corps Relief Society, 1213 Bar Harbor Terrace, Northbrook, IL, 60062.

Letra L. Schnoor (nee McNeil)

Age 80.

A member of one of the pioneer families of Grant Township and a lifelong resident of Ingleside and Fox Lake, Ill., died on Thurs., Aug. 18, 2005 at Northern Illinois Medical Center in McHenry.

She was born on July 8, 1925 in Waukegan, Ill., to William and Laurene (nee Rommel) McNeil.

Letra graduated from Big Hollow Grade School and the 1943 graduating class of Grand Community High School as class valedictorian. She was united in marriage to Francis "Fritz" Schnoor on Feb. 24, 1950 at the Ingleside United Methodist Church. She and her husband operated the Sinclair Gas Station in Big Hollow, Ill. In 1954, they moved to the Lagoon Service and Marina in Fox Lake and in the fall of 1969, they began operations at the Chain O' Lakes Marina in Ingleside.

She was a longtime member of Ingleside United Methodist Church. She enjoyed traveling and loved spending time with her family and grandchildren. She and her husband, and their children worked together for many years running the family business.

Survivors include her husband, Francis "Fritz" Schnoor; children William (Deborah) Schnoor of Ingleside, Jeffrey (Kimberly) Schnoor of Ingleside; and Cindy (Craig) Carlson of Grayslake; six grandchildren: Eric, Jennie, Jessica, Brittany Schnoor and Blair and Brooke Carlson; and a niece, Vivian Lee (Thomas Fellows) Ward of Portola Valley, Calif. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Patricia Schnoor, in 1955; by her sister, Vivian McNeil Ward in 1994; and by her parents.

Visitation was on Aug. 21 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at K.K. Hamsher Funeral Home, 12 N. Pistakee Lake Rd., Fox Lake. Funeral services were held Monday at 11 a.m. at the Funeral Home with the Rev. Eugene Carter officiating. Interment was private.

In lieu of flowers, memorials made to the Ingleside United Methodist Church, 36325 N. Maple Ave., Ingleside, IL, 60041 would be appreciated. For more information, please call 847-587-2100.

Patrick D. "Hopp" Hoppler

Patrick D. "Hopp" Hoppler, age 46, of Wauconda, died Aug. 22, 2005 at Northern Illinois Medical Center in McHenry.

He was born Sept. 8, 1958 in Pontiac to William and Marianna (Haberkorn) Hoppler. Raised and educated in Wauconda, he was a graduate of Wauconda High School.

A four year veteran of the U.S. Army, he was stationed in Germany with the military police.

As a young man, he worked with his father in the painting business for a short time. Then he began his

career with the Great Lakes Police Department as a patrolman, which would span well over 20 years until his recent illness.

He was a longtime member of Teamsters Local 714.

Enjoyments included bowling, video games, motorcycles and Corvettes. His friends and coworkers will remember "Hopp" for his quick wit and great sense of humor, his ability to lift everyone's spirits, and his hosting of "Blazeland U.S.A."

Survivors include: Two sisters, Angela (Chris) of Wauconda and Anna (Tom) of Libertyville; a brother, Dan, of Arizona; and close friends John (Crystal) of McHenry. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the George R. Justen & Son Funeral Home, 3519 W. Elm St., McHenry. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home, with the Rev. Lisle Kauffman officiating.

Friends may meet at the funeral home on Saturday from 10 a.m. until prayers are said at 10:30 before departing to the cemetery. Interment will be in Windridge Memorial Park, Cary.

Memorials would be appreciated in his name to the American Indian Heritage Foundation, P.O. Box 6301, Falls Church, Va., 22040; phone 703-819-0797; www.indians.org/index.html.

Information is available or online condolences may be sent to the family at www.justenf.com. Information by phone is available at 847-385-2400.

Betty A. Kirkbridge

Age 63, of Wauconda and formerly of Round Lake, died Aug. 18 at Wauconda HealthCare Centre. She was born July 24, 1942 in Waukegan to Allen S. and Murietta L. (Turner) Kirkbridge.

She was raised and educated in Round Lake and graduated from Round Lake High School. After graduation, Kirkbridge was employed in Deerfield by Allis Chalmers and by Fiat-Allis in Carol Stream for 29 years before retiring in December of 1990. A charter member of Calvary Presbyterian Church, she served as the United Presbyterian Women treasurer for two terms and as secretary for one term. She also assisted with church activities.

Survivors include a sister, Christine Amidon; a brother, Allen S. Kirkbridge; two nieces; two nephews; and several cousins and extended family members. She was

preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Susan Marasla.

Visitation and funeral services were held at Justen's Round Lake Funeral Home, 222 N. Rosedale Court, Round Lake. Interment was in Highland Memorial Park, Libertyville.

Memorials may be made to Calvary Presbyterian Church, 510 N. Cedar Lake Road., Round Lake. Information is available and online condolences may be sent to the family at www.justenf.com. For more information, call 847-546-3300.

Andrew "Drew" Chapin

Age 21, of Grayslake, died Aug. 21 after being struck by a motor vehicle. Born on July 23, 1984, to Brad and Amy Chapin, he graduated in 2003 from Grayslake High School. He spent the last two years at Hanover College where he studied modern languages and culture.

Chapin spent two weeks on a mission trip to Calnali, Mexico, spent a summer teaching English as a Second Language in Istanbul, Turkey, and a semester at the Universitat Castille La Mancha in Ciudad Real, Spain. He was also active in the music and theater departments, as well as intramural sports, at Hanover College. He was president of People for Peace.

Visitation was Thursday from 3 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Ringa Funeral Home, 122 S. Milwaukee Ave., Lake Villa. A memorial service will take place on Friday at 11 a.m. in Central Park, Grayslake. A picnic reception will follow, and attendees are invited to dress comfortably and bring a blanket. A graveside burial will precede the memorial service at 10 a.m. at Avon Center Cemetery, on the corner of Shorewood and Route 83 in Grayslake.

Chapin is survived by: His parents; brother, Bradford; great-grandmother, Margaret R. Allen; grandmother Rudy Chapin; aunts and uncles; five cousins; and countless friends in more than 14 countries. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Brenda and Donald Allen; paternal grandfather, Harry Chapin; and maternal great-grandfather, H. Neal Allen.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Friends of Calnali, care of Dr. Yager, Hanover College, Hanover, Ind., 47243.

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Family secrets found

A&E series with area man, uncovers truth at home

By Kathy Gresey

Staff Reporter

What secrets are kept in your home? A new A&E television series created and produced by a Lake Bluff man, aims to find out.

Family Forensics is a new real-life series about a Los Angeles police detective, crime scene investigator and psychologist who conduct two-day investigations of different family homes to discover who they are.

The forensics team goes through drawers, boxes, garbage, computer files, photos and financial records to discover family history, secrets and internal dynamics while the family is away.

Each episode culminates with the disclosure of the forensics team's findings, which ultimately forces family members to confront the truth about themselves and begin a new chapter in their lives.

Past findings have revealed underage drinking problems and distress from past physical abuse.

Uncovering such serious issues has allowed family members to get help for one another, said creator/producer Glenn Marrichi.

He said the idea for the show came from his experiences in family marketing.

"I combined the archeological digs I do about a family's buying and living habits with the modern investigation techniques used in

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Glenn Marrichi

Creator/producer, "Family Forensics"

solving crimes," he said. "I thought that it would be fascinating to see if we could profile a family's life together just by analyzing the contents of their home. It's really the intersection of CSI and Dr. Phil."

The TV series is a first for Marrichi, whose advertising career has seen him responsible for campaigns for General Motors, Amoco, Goodyear and Del Webb.

He said reaction to the show has been good. Even he has been stunned by show findings.

"There are some amazing things you find out that are happening in peoples' lives," he said.

The next episode of Family Forensics airs Aug. 30 at 9 p.m. CDT on A&E.

For more information about the show visit www.aetv.com.

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AROUND THE COUNTY

Specialty class for new grandparents

Condell Medical Center's New Life Maternity Center is offering a GRANDparents class to help parents celebrate their new roles as grandparents. Participants will learn the latest trends in prenatal and infant care, breastfeeding, bottle-feeding and safety issues pertaining to newborns.

This one-time three-hour class will take place on Sept. 11 and Sunday, Nov. 20, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., at Condell Medical Center, 801 S. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville. The fee is \$10 per couple. To register, call 847-990-5407.

CLC team earns gold at championships

Three College of Lake County students won gold medals at the annual SkillsUSA Championships in the category of automated manufacturing technology, held June 21-24 in Kansas City, Mo. More than 4,000 outstanding career and technical education students from all over the country joined in the excitement of hands-on competition in 80 different trade, technical and leadership fields.

The CLC team included Jason Ming, Waukegan; Brian Falcone, Kenosha, Wis.; and Anthony Metcalf, Beach Park. Earlier this spring, the CLC team won the state competition, which qualified them for the national SkillsUSA Championships.

Habitat for Humanity receives \$10K in grants

Habitat for Humanity Lake County has received grants totaling \$10,000 from the Lake County Community Foundation and the Glencoe Union church Fund. Both groups are donor advised funds of the Chicago Community Trust.

Habitat received a \$5,000 grant from the Lake County Community Foundation to fund a home through the Youth United Program of Habitat for Humanity. Youth United brings together diverse groups of young people to build homes. The Glencoe Union Church Fund made a grant of \$5,000 for general operating support.

LFH endows 3rd chair

Lake Forest Hospital's (LFH) newest clinical department chairmanship is the latest to be endowed. The chair in the Department of Emergency Medicine was recently endowed thanks to a gift from Joan Blair of Lake Forest.

Emergency medicine physicians were so moved by this recognition of their specialty that they quickly decided to establish the Joan S. Blair Emergency Nurses Education Fund in her honor.

This fund will be used to help further the education of nurses working in the hospital's ER and its acute care center in Grayslake. Recipients will be determined by a committee formed to review nominations that are submitted.

County awards funding for affordable housing

Lake County received funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development HOME and CDBG grant programs. Under the program, the County is providing funding for affordable housing projects to Habitat for Humanity Lake County (\$103,865), Lake County Residential Development Corporation (\$112,113) and Affordable Housing Corporation of Lake County (\$64,996).

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Lexi Martin, 5, is helped along by her mother Jan Hawthorn Woods at the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) skating party in August, 1995 at Village Skate in Mundelein.

15 YEARS AGO • 1990

Financing from a number of sources contributed to a new pool at Libertyville's Adler Park. The \$1.7 million project was to close the pool for one season as improvements were completed.

North Chicago police and officers from the Great Lakes Naval Academy were investigating incidents where sailors attempted to purchase drugs. Six people, including three from North Chicago were arrested for attempting to sell drugs at the base.

Fox Lake officials and residents were upset over Metra plan that would run trains empty every day from Fox Lake to Libertyville, to help economize and cut travel times to Chicago. A spokesperson said commuters in Fox Lake, Grayslake and Round Lake would have to have earlier trains, or drive to Libertyville every morning.

20 YEARS AGO • 1985

A Volo fire destroyed antique fire equipment at the Antique Volo Museum. A hose cart, believed to be the first piece of equipment used by the Wauconda Fire department was among the items lost in the fire.

A Wauconda man was charged with three counts of battery and two counts of resisting arrest after he allegedly punched family members and fought with police.

Compiled by Nicholas Alajakis

10 YEARS AGO • 1995

Officials in Mundelein were looking into bringing a grocery store to the corner of Midlothian and Route 176. Others had concerns, however, about whether the intersection could handle an extra load of traffic that a grocery store would produce.

Lake Zurich officials were opposing a plan by Ameritech that would send all 9-1-1 cell phone calls to the Lake County Sheriff's Office. Emergency calls would be delayed greatly if that plan were to be adopted, argued officials.

A Grayslake man was killed by a north-bound Wisconsin Central freight train while lying unconscious on the tracks. Police say he was lying on the tracks with his feet in the rail when he was struck in the early hours. Police were awaiting toxicology tests to determine whether the man had been drinking.

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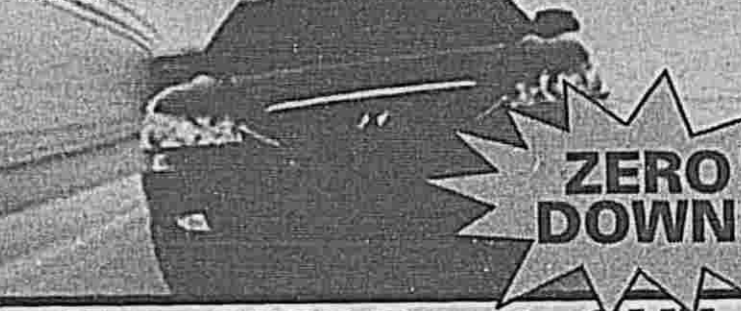
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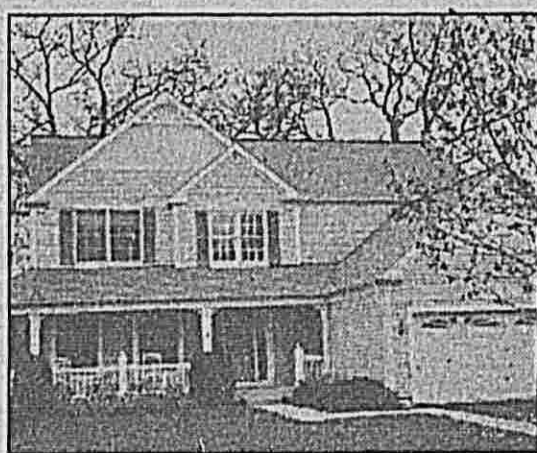
Two-bedroom, one-bath Cape Cod with water rights to the Chain. Dock across street and beach at the end. Living room with woodburning fireplace. Three-year-old, top-of-the-line septic system. Large deck off kitchen. All appliances included. Utility room on first floor. Resort living all year.

Home details

LR:	21X14	FP:	1
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KIT:	12X12	Baths:	1
MB:	17X12	Built:	unknown
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FR:	21X15	LDY:	08X06
MB:	17X15	FP:	1
BR2	11X11	Rooms:	11
BR3:	14X11	Baths:	3.1
BR4:	13X13	Built:	1996

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Home details

LR:	21X16	BR6:	15X13
DR:	17X12	BRK:	12X11
KIT:	16X14	STY:	12X12
FR:	16X14	REC:	30X24
MB:	18X15	FP:	2
BR2	14X12	Rooms:	14
BR3:	13X13	Baths:	4.2
BR4:	13X12	Built:	2000
BR5:	15X12		

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Think open space. To prospective buyers, a spotless home shows that it has been well maintained. Focus on the kitchen, bathrooms, and windows. During showings, turn on lights to add atmosphere, enhance colors and give the interior a bright, cheerful feel.

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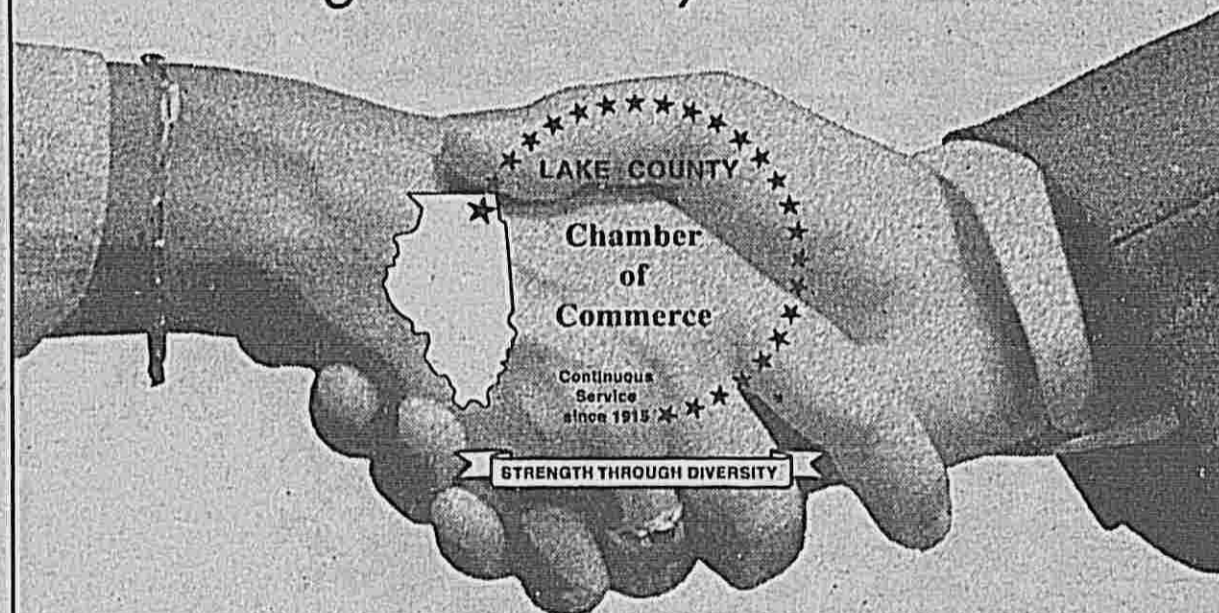
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Sunset	7:35 P.M.	7:34 P.M.	7:32 P.M.	7:30 P.M.	7:29 P.M.	7:27 P.M.	7:25 P.M.
Moonrise	11:15 P.M.	11:58 P.M.	No rise	12:49 A.M.	1:46 A.M.	2:48 A.M.	3:52 A.M.
Moonset	2:25 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	4:27 P.M.	5:16 P.M.	5:56 P.M.	6:28 P.M.	6:55 P.M.

Source: National Weather Service

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	Aug. 17	Aug. 18	Aug. 19	Aug. 20	Aug. 21	Aug. 22	Aug. 23
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Pick 3 Nighttime	737	971	492	763	568	626	394
Pick 4 Midday	4176	8483	8826	7229	N/A	0678	4886
Pick 4 Nighttime	2894	5312	6845	0072	6962	3047	8706
Little Lotto	03-08-12-19-39	15-23-26-28-34	12-23-26-30-38	03-19-24-28-39	05-07-28-36-39	13-18-24-35-39	01-06-22-31-34
Lotto	01-04-16-24-40-48	No drawing	No drawing	09-13-14-28-34-37	No drawing	06-08-32-33-34-45	No drawing
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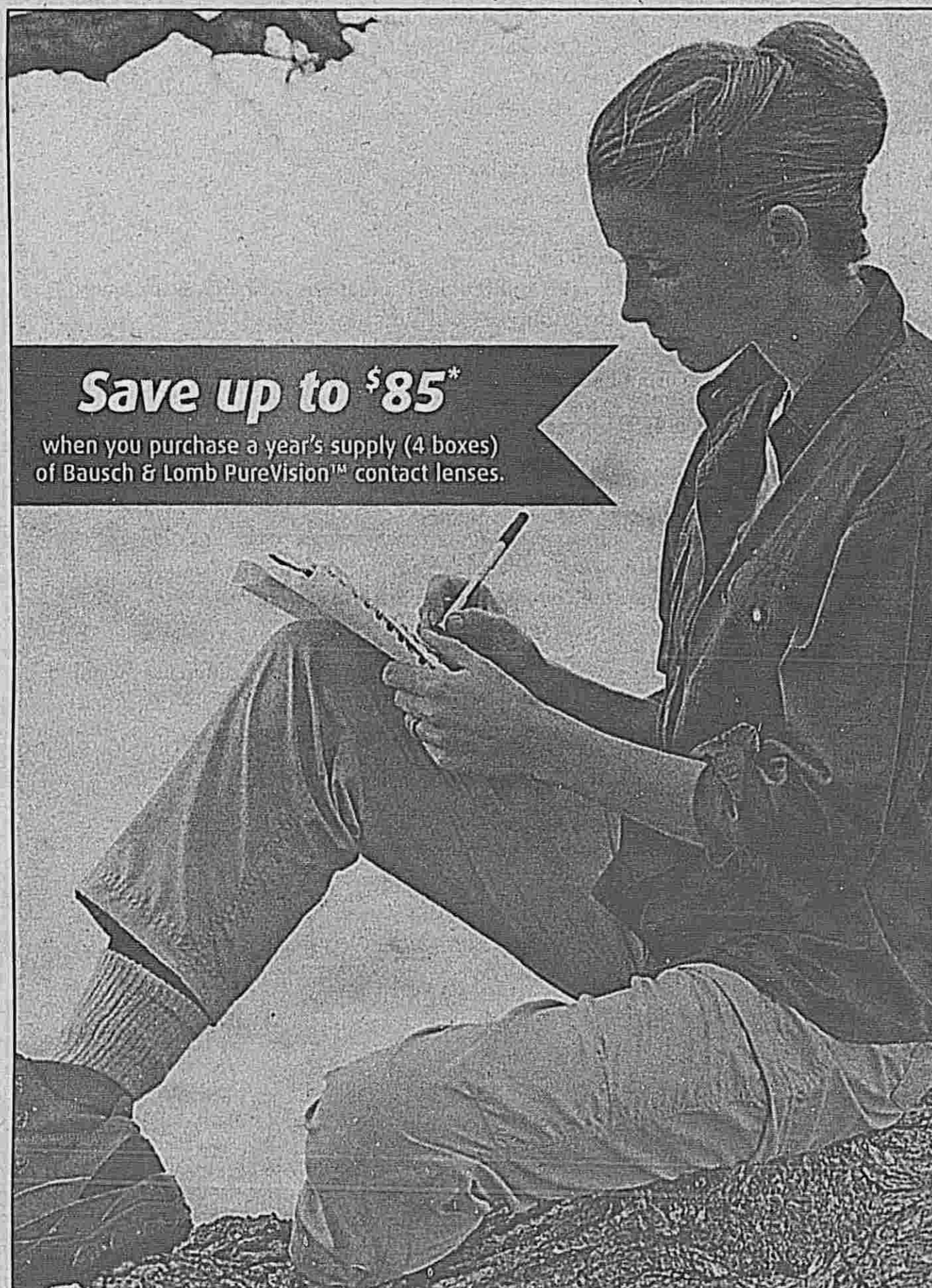
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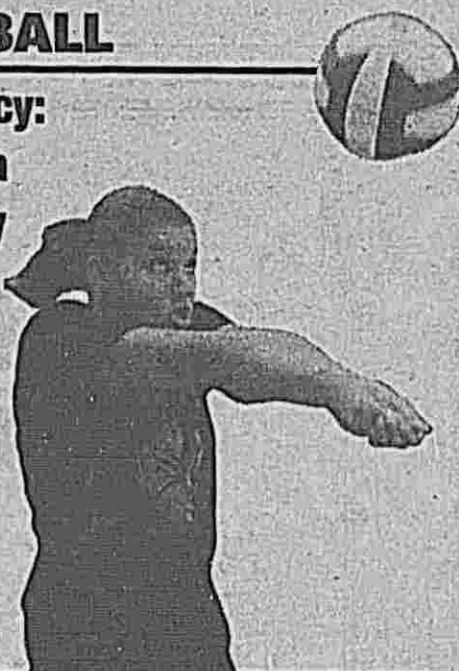
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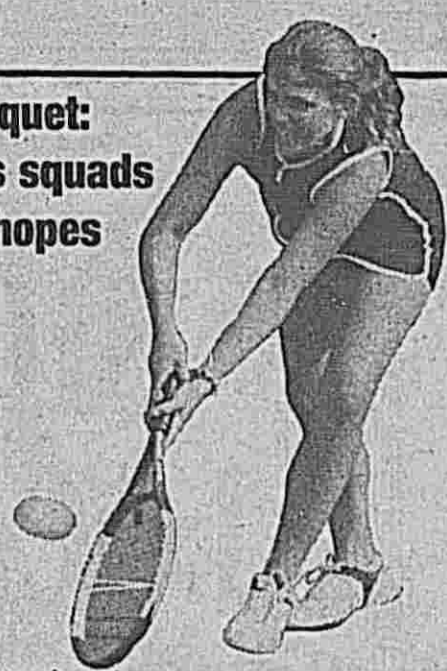
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Quite a racquet:
Area tennis squads
have high hopes

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Going pro

CLC men's coach bringing
professional hoops to Lake County

By Rob Backus
Sports Editor

Shawn Chism can see the headlines already, in large point size and above the fold—"Lakers coming to Lake County," or perhaps "Lakers to go on local barnstorming tour."

However, although they wouldn't be referring to the LA Lakers or their predecessor from Minneapolis, those headlines would nonetheless be true if they ran in any local paper. And Chism hopes to make some headlines with his new venture, the Lake County Lakers.

That's why he held a press conference last week at Centre Club in Gurnee to announce the team's inception as part of a current expansion of the International Basketball League (IBL). And during the announcement, he could barely suppress the grin he's

worn since getting league approval in mid-July.

"This is a dream of mine," said Chism, the men's basketball coach at the College of Lake County. "I've always wanted to get into pro basketball in some capacity, but I always thought it would be as a scout or some other position in an organization."

"But when this came along, I couldn't think of a better way to become involved with a team."

For those of you wondering what the IBL is, think minor league basketball. While the NBA's National Basketball Development League would be the equivalent of Triple-A, the IBL is more akin to Double-A, with the players hoping to move right up the ladder, or perhaps to a pro team overseas. But the league is still made up of professional players, nearly all of whom played Division I basketball in college.

The IBL, in its second year, had 17 teams in its inau-

gural season and plans to add at least four teams for the upcoming season, which runs from April to mid-June. It also has implemented rule changes, designed to speed up the game for a more family-friendly atmosphere.

"We don't want games lasting more than three hours like they do in the NBA, so we have a 22-second shot clock, an eight-second back court rule and an immediate inbound rule," Alvarez said. "It really speeds up the game and makes it more exciting. Our league average per team was 126.9 points per game."

"We're very guard heavy. They can all shoot the lights out and get up and down the court in a hurry."

The league is also very friendly to its owners, according to Alvarez.

"We want to keep costs as low as possible, so none of the teams fold like in other leagues," he said. "So teams compete in what we call 'clusters' and they can reach their

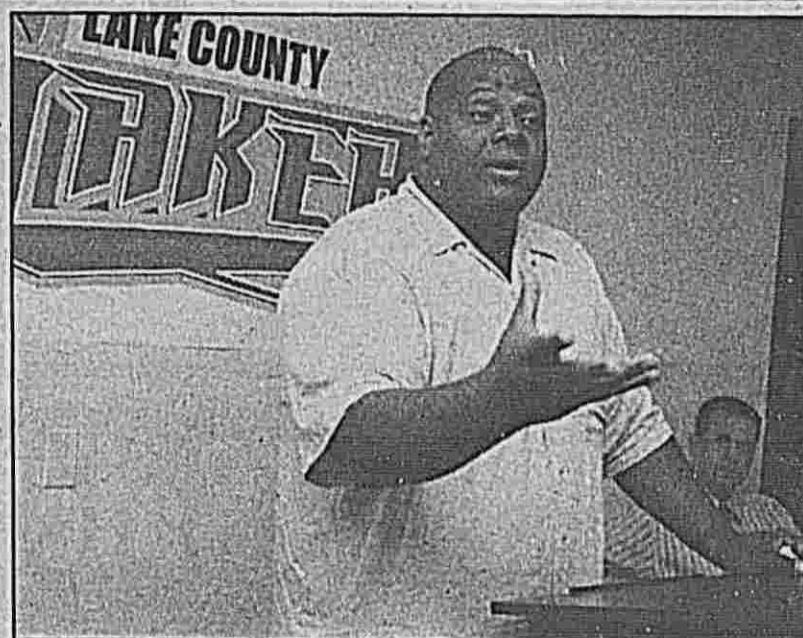


Photo by Sandy Bressner

Shawn Chism addresses the media regarding the formation of the new International Basketball League team, the Lake County Lakers, which is set to begin play in April 2006. Chism is the owner and director of basketball operations for the team and will continue his role as head men's basketball coach for the College of Lake County.

road games by bus, which cuts traveling costs tremendously. Once per season, a team will travel to another region and play each team in that cluster."

Despite the enormous costs of starting a franchise, totaling \$20,000 at this point, Chism wouldn't have it any other way.

I could have gone out to solicit partners like other teams, but the more people you have involved the less control you have," Chism said. "The only partner I have in this venture is my wife. I have a vision for the team and I didn't want that vision to change."

That vision is to give families an inexpensive option for professional basketball — instead of driving into

Chicago to see the Bulls.

"We want to give the people high quality at a low cost," Chism said. "We're going to charge \$6 per ticket, and children will get in free with a paying adult. We hope to draw at least 1,000 paying customers per game, which I think is a very realistic goal."

In addition to hoping to turn a modest profit for himself, Chism also plans to use the team as a fund-raiser for local high schools.

"I want it to be just like the old barnstorming tours that teams used to have," Chism said. "We want to play all of our home games at high schools throughout the county. We're working with high

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ON THE SIDELINES

Dan Patrick • Sports Reporter

Da picks

I heard something the other day that was such a wicked mix of simultaneous joy and despair that it can hardly be described through the feeble written word — I heard the sounds of a new football season. No, it wasn't helmets cracking or team mantras yelled into the air; it was the putrid thud of yet another Chicago Bears quarterback falling to injury.

While my professional football team has performed its perennial routine of crushing my dreams of directing "Super Bowl Shuffle, Part Deux," I can rejoice in the concept that the high school football season is kicking off. It still may be hot outside, but the scent of fresh pigskin is in the air and the fall season is just a short time away. Therefore, I give you my football picks for 2005.

Lake County has enjoyed a pretty good go of it in recent years with Libertyville taking the state championship last year, following up a Carmel's success in 2003. Therefore, it's only natural that we look at our two past winners.

The Libertyville Wildcats have got some rebuilding to do. After last season's perfect 14-0 run to the state title, Libertyville loses nearly all of its offensive weapons from last season as all three running backs along with quarterback Brett Lancaster. However, that certainly does not mean coach Randy Kucyewski is not expecting good things from his team. With the help of talented transfer play-caller Cameron Turner, along with returning defensive end and tight end Mike Culbertson-Fehling, this year could be less of a rebuild and more of a revitalization. While another state win is unlikely, I believe the Wildcats will remain a power.

As for the 2003 winners, I truly think that Carmel is another team to watch. The Corsair football team had a respectable year in 2004 with a 7-4 final record. While such a mark would make most high school coaches proud, it was actu-

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International Basketball League Franchises

Vancouver Volcanoes

Tacoma Thunder

Portland Chinooks

Chico Force

Oakland Slammers

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VOLLEYBALL

ANTIOCH

Coach: Bob Schenk (4th year)

Key returning players: Seniors Maggie Loneran, Erin Moncelle, Colleen Curtis and Tracy Heitman

Up-and-comers: Senior Missi Meyer and sophomores Katie Loneran and Lindsey Callanan

Outlook: Antioch made 2004 a season to remember as it broke every conceivable school record with its first 30-win season ever and first regional title in a decade. And despite losing several key players to graduation, including big hitter Kate Hofeldt, and the news that returning hitter Jessica McWilliams moved to Texas last week, head coach Bob Schenk doesn't see much of a letdown this season. "We have two of the best players in Lake County at their positions in Maggie Loneran (setter) and Tracy Heitman (libero) and if we had Jessica we'd be one of the three best teams in the county," Schenk said. "But we'll still be competitive in the division and we're still shooting for 20-25 wins."

CARMEL

Coach: Sarah Yeager (2nd year)

Key returning players: Seniors Colette LeClaire and Pam Stanton and sophomore Kaitlyn Howard

Up-and-comers: Junior Rachel Monterascelli

Outlook: Though the heart and soul of last year's team, Teresa Ogrinc and Erin Walsh, have graduated, Carmel is looking to build on the momentum gained from last year's 20-plus win season. "We've been putting in three-hour practices and the girls are all working hard to have another good year," head coach Sarah Yeager said. "We're not very tall, so we'll have to win with our defense. We only won one match in (the ESCC) last year, so we want to win at least five this year and make a run at regionals."

GRANT

Coach: Sue Thompson (11th year)

Up-and-comers: Junior Kari Hill, and sophomores Bailey Wagner, Jamie Swanson and Rachel Mitchell

Outlook: If you're wondering why there's no key returning players listed, it's not a typo. The trio of Becka Gonyo, Ashley Arff and Tori Ziegler all figure to miss a significant portion of the upcoming season due to various afflictions, leaving the Bulldogs woefully lacking in the experience department. However, head coach Sue Thompson won't let her team quit just because of a few injuries. "We're still optimistic about the season, if we can get through the injuries," she said. "We have three sophomores on the team (Wagner, Swanson and Mitchell) and how they go will determine our success."

GRAYSLAKE

Coach: Jeanna Beerbower (3rd year)

Key returning players: seniors Janice Johnson, Jill Smart, Ashleigh Swearingen and Megan Patterson

Up-and-comers: Juniors Georgia Sampedro, Kay Salvatierra and Lauren Walters and sophomore Megan Falk

Outlook: When Grayslake coach Jeanna Beerbower went to see her girls play in a club volleyball tournament in March, she was barely able to recognize her own players. "I was like, 'Whoa,'" Beerbower said. "They looked so good on the floor, they were nothing like the players I

saw last season. I think this is going to be a very good year. People are going to be surprised."

LAKES

Coach: Carla Thompson (1st year)

Up-and-comers: juniors Kathleen Glive, Kelli Ford and Sarah Miller and sophomores Katie Thompson and Kathy Szczesniak

Outlook: Like many of its other sports teams, Lakes' volleyball squad faces an uphill battle in its first year. Despite having no seniors in the school and players with little club and almost no varsity experience, head coach Carla Thompson is enthused about the upcoming season. "Half of the team (is) made up of sophomores who like to be leaders and who are used to winning," Thompson said. "There is a lot of excitement...We are ready to make a name for Lakes."

LIBERTYVILLE

Coach: Chris Trzyna (20th year)

Key returning players: Seniors Amanda Lugge and Kelley Krumtinger

Up-and-comers: Juniors Allison Bailey, Siena Baldi, Kaitlin Banduch, Kristin Carty, Janeela Chaudhry, April Cho, Lauren Formica, Carol Kruckman, Sammy Licocci, Mallory Purtha, Shannon Wilkins and Ally Yarc and sophomore Emma Melendez

Outlook: In Chris Trzyna's two decades at Libertyville, she's never had a team quite as young as this. With just two returning starters from last year's team that won 30-plus games, the Cats have next to no varsity experience, yet Trzyna is excited about her team's potential. "It's all going to come down to getting some games behind us and making adjustments from there," Trzyna said. "We have a lot in the gym, it just may take some time to put it together."

MUNDELEIN

Coach: George Dressen (1st year)

Key returning players: Senior Emily T'Nemi and juniors Heidi Haubrich, Paige Tortorello and Kelly Boich

Up-and-comers: Senior Stephanie Smith, juniors Colleen Hoffman and Maggie Schroeder and sophomore Mandy Baumgartner

Outlook: Mundelein has a new coach for the first time in almost two decades, as Dan Szymkowiak decided to step down after last season, but the new coach is certainly one familiar to the players and parents. George Dressen takes over for Szymkowiak after serving as his assistant for 16 years and sees the program continuing much of the success enjoyed under its former coach. "We're young, but we have unbelievable potential," Dressen said. "I see us possibly winning 25 matches."

ROUND LAKE

Coach: Arian Colton (3rd year)

Key returning players: Seniors Laura Daily and Alma Rodriguez, juniors Kamila Lakoma and Miranda Daily and sophomore Brittany Kucia

Up-and-comers: Juniors Amber Burke and Eren Havrilak and sophomore Amber Chayer

Outlook: Unlike previous seasons, Round Lake will have a good base of experienced players who will look to lead the Panthers back to respectability. "We have a number of returning players (who) have already stepped up to be leaders," head coach Arian Colton said. "With our growth last year and our continued improvement this season, we expect to be very competitive in the conference."

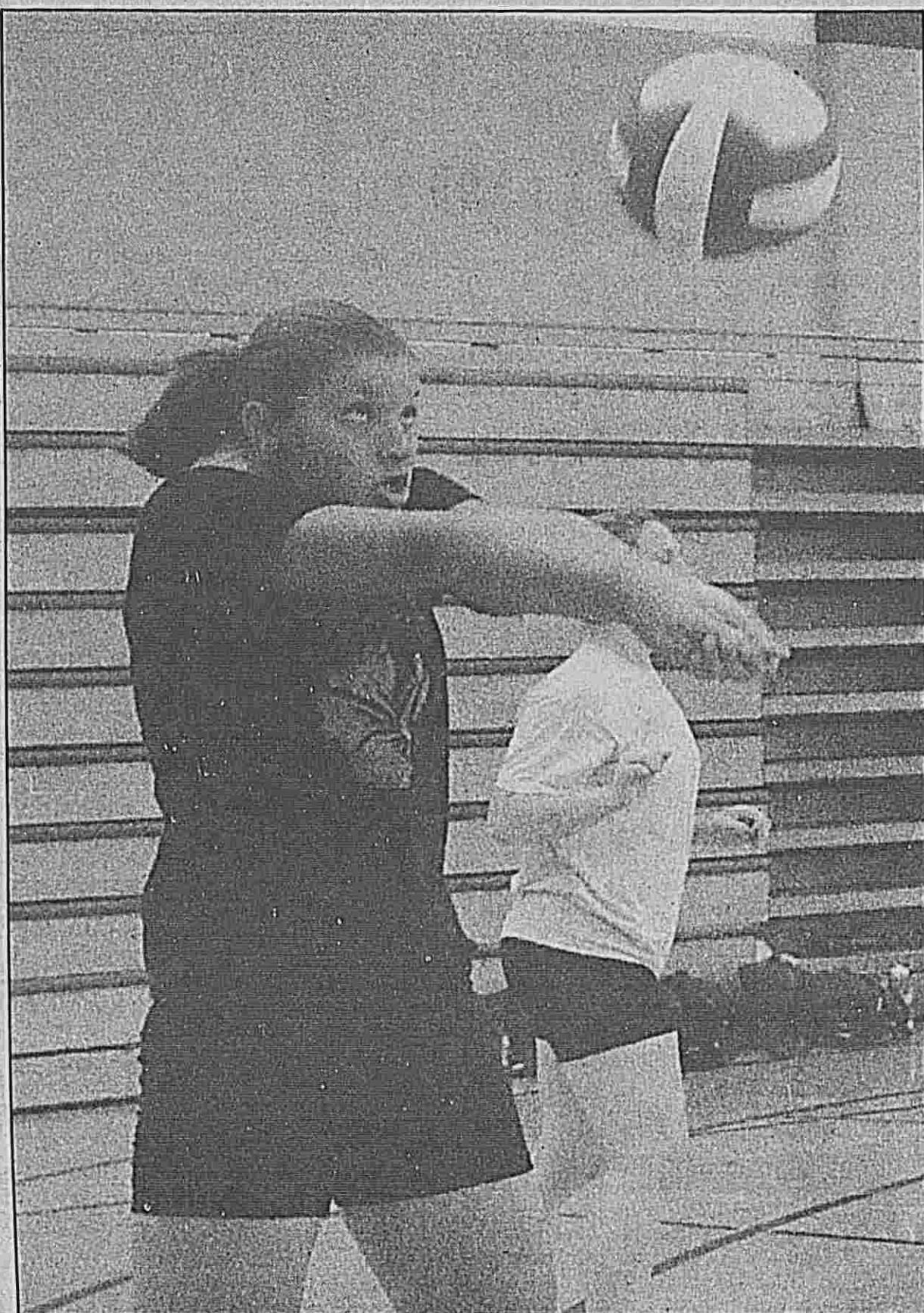


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Alicia Petro, 16, practices her pass at Grayslake High School with the junior varsity volleyball team after school.

WARREN

Coach: Julie Filippo (2nd year)

Key returning players: Seniors Michelle Carlisle, Brianna Erickson, Mallorie Ceisel, Jessica Wheeler and Danielle Mruz

Up-and-comers: Junior Erin Mruz

Outlook: Though Warren, which fell to Antioch in a hard-fought regional final, lost the terrific trio of Marcia Poliquin, Ashley Fallos and Alexandra Leach to graduation, head coach Julie Filippo sees an even bigger season on the horizon in 2005. That's because nearly every varsity player saw significant action last year, and most of them are back and ready to lead the Blue Devils. "We'll be just as good this year," Filippo said. "We were a little disappointed to not win the regional last year, so that's our number one goal."

WAUCONDA

Coach: Jonathon Grandt (3rd year)

Key returning players: Senior Jessica Middlesworth and juniors Jenna Howard and Maggie Iverson

Up-and-comers: Seniors Jessica Schwarz and Kristina Schaefer and junior Ashley Powell

Outlook: The quality of volleyball rose in head coach Jonathon Grandt's first two years

at the helm and he envisions his program's continued ascension up the ranks in '05. "We were within a few games of .500 last year and I think we'll be even better this year and hopefully surprise some people," Grandt said. He's confident because he has a trio of experienced players, led by third-year starter Jenna Howard, who will look to get the ball to big hitters Jessica Middlesworth and Maggie Iverson.


WAUKEGAN

Coach: Rachel Wiatrowski (2nd year)

Key returning players: Senior Stephanie Coxon and juniors Liz Colver, Simone Wright and Courtney O'Connor

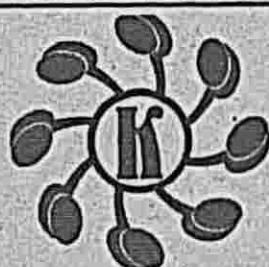
Up-and-comers: Senior Susan Ricker and junior Haley Krueger

Outlook: On the surface it appeared that Waukegan had a horrible 2004 season, winning just five games. However, those five wins more than doubled the Bulldogs' 2003 total, and head coach Rachel Wiatrowski is looking for more of the same this year. "We had a lot of sophomores on varsity last year, so now they have some experience," Wiatrowski said. "Double-digit wins is the number one goal we've set for ourselves, and it would be nice to win at least one CSL game, but it will be tough."

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ANTIOCH

Coach: Charlie Trout (1st year)

Key returning players: Seniors Alex Mayer, Alex McKenzie, Jason Moxley and Wes Laudenslager and junior Brett McKenzie

Up-and-comers: Junior Andrew Wade and sophomore Nick Knab

Outlook: On paper, this may be Charlie Trout's first year as head coach of Antioch, but it's actually just the first year of his third stint and ninth season overall in charge of the Sequoits. Luckily, many of his players have almost as much varsity experience as Trout. "We have five starters back and 15 seniors total," Trout said. "A lot of guys will be competing for six spots. These guys were a strong group as freshmen, now they're looking for a strong senior season. I think it will be a very good year."

CARMEL

Coach: Chris Rudolph (3rd year)

Key returning players: Seniors Kevin Virgilio, Kevin Cook, John Riggio and Joe Holgiun and junior Sean Stefanski

Up-and-comers: Senior Mike Bielski and junior Greg Hall

Outlook: Despite losing several key players to graduation from last year's team, which tied mighty Benet for the ESCC title, head coach Chris Rudolph is still confident in his team's chances in 2005. "This year's team won't be as flashy as last year's but it'll be very solid," Rudolph said. "We're still shooting for 15 wins and a regional title. Sometimes, when the team is intelligent and plays well, you don't really need the flash."

GRANT

Coach: Shane Rivette (3rd year)

Key returning players: Seniors Ian Hunter, Zach Williams, Chris Castro and Danny Huerta and junior Sammy Deligio

Up-and-comers: Juniors Danny and Dominick Deligio and sophomores Alex Marginean and Michael Hurtado

Outlook: Although some familiar faces are gone from last year's team, head coach Shane Rivette is confident his Bulldogs can break the school record of 10 wins, set last season. "I think we can be better than last year's team, but it will have to be a team effort," Rivette said. "We're shooting for a (Prairie) division title, as always, and we would like to at least reach the regional final this year."

GRAYSLAKE

Coach: Mike McCaulou (1st year)

Key returning players: Seniors Tony Gianneschi and Eric Hager and juniors Nolan Sandberg, Ryan O'Connor and Manny Carrillo

Up-and-comers: Juniors Corey Mulryan, Will Barbanera and Andy Schultz

Outlook: After winning just three games in the tough Fox Valley Conference in 2004, new coach Mike McCaulou looks for his team to at least double that total this season. "We would like to finish no less than top-two in conference and we want to make it at least past the second round of regionals," McCaulou said. "I coached a lot of these guys as sophomores and I think they're a good, solid group of guys."

LAKES

Coach: Kevin Kullby (1st year)

Up-and-comers: Juniors Matt Reimer, Austin Hahn and Matt Laine

Outlook: Unlike most teams at the new Lakes High, the soccer team actually has some varsity experience to rely upon for its inaugural season as juniors Ryan Reimer and Austin Hahn played for Antioch's varsity squad in 2004. However, according to head coach Kevin Kullby, much of the season will rely on the development of keeper Matt Laine and the rest of the players, none of whom have ever played varsity. "Most of the team is inexperienced and (it) will take time to get acclimated to varsity soccer," Kullby said. "I am confident, in time, we will be competitive and certainly will hold our own once the season progresses."

LIBERTYVILLE

Coach: Scott Schinto (6th year)

Key returning players: Seniors Thomas Lynn, Shaun Ireland and John Linden and sophomores Tim Linden and Alvaro Castro

Up-and-comers: Seniors David Deka, Cole Schambari, Michael Dash and Mike Grunert and freshman Chase Guarnaccio

Outlook: Though Libertyville has the task of

facing off against tough NSC Lake teams like Warren, Stevenson and now Lake Zurich, head coach Scott Schinto still feels his team can contend not only for a conference title, but a sectional crown. "We're inexperienced this year, but we're traditionally competitive," Schinto said. "We're lacking depth, but we have good speed."

MUNDELEIN

Coach: Chris Sell (4th year)

Key returning players: Seniors Bill Doyle, Matt Crowley, Tim Johnson, Erik Navarette, Ismael Nieto and Phil Hanwright

Up-and-comers: Juniors Artura Rosiles and Greg Domanico and freshman Eric Sorby

Outlook: Although the Mustangs have a high number of upperclassmen, head coach Chris Sell still feels his team lacks experience as Mundelein hopes to turn around after a 2004 season that saw the team go winless in the NSC Lake division. "We are going to have to quickly come together as a team and find our personality," Sell said. "We have the potential of having a nice year, but we are going to have to play as a unit and not beat ourselves with mental mistakes."

ROUND LAKE

Coach: Mike Hruska (3rd year)

Key returning players: Senior Sal Martinez and junior Jesse Salvador

Up-and-comers: Freshmen Bryant Martinez and Caesar Garcia

Outlook: Though Round Lake is coming off a 4-12-1 season in 2004, the Panthers were competitive in the NSC Prairie division, breaking even at 2-2-1. And head coach Mike Hruska expects his team to be even stronger this year. "I'm expecting my team to be more competitive this year," he said. "We have a nice mix of players and our numbers are way up. I'm very optimistic."

WARREN

Coach: Jim McNamara (4th year)

Key returning players: Seniors Brian Bappert, Ian Sarachan, Taylor Holop, Luke Schweitzer, Dominic Pellettiere, Art Arizmendi and Garrett Koncan

Up-and-comers: Juniors Brandon Fox, Larry Kohn, Ben Chavers and Anthony Colaizzi

Outlook: In an area that is becoming increasingly feared throughout the state for its soccer, Warren remains one of the best teams and is once again a threat to make it downstate for the second time in three years. The Devils have a team made up entirely of upperclassmen with their juniors, who have lost just two games the previous two seasons, looking to combine with the seniors, who went 17-2-4 in 2004. "I think we can make a good run to state," head coach Jim McNamara said. "We also want to win a conference title, which we haven't done since I've been here."

WAUCONDA

Coach: Terry Stevig (11th year)

Key returning players: Seniors Tyler Stellwag and Eduardo Cuervo and juniors Nick Swanson and Mike White

Up-and-comers: Sophomores Keith Wilson and Eugene Nagawicki

Outlook: Wauconda came up just one win short of the state tournament in 2004, but with nine of its starters now in college, the Bulldogs will be hard-pressed for similar success this season. However, head coach Terry Stevig still expects his team to remain competitive. "There's a lot of new faces around, I expect this season will be a struggle early," he said. "But we still have a (Prairie) division title as a goal. It's going to be a tough battle, but it all depends on how they end up working together."

WAUKEGAN

Coach: Mike Berrie (4th year)

Key returning players: Seniors Jesus Lopez, Jonathan Hernandez and Diego Zamudio and sophomores Manny Lopez, Cayse Guardaramma and Alex Gonzalez

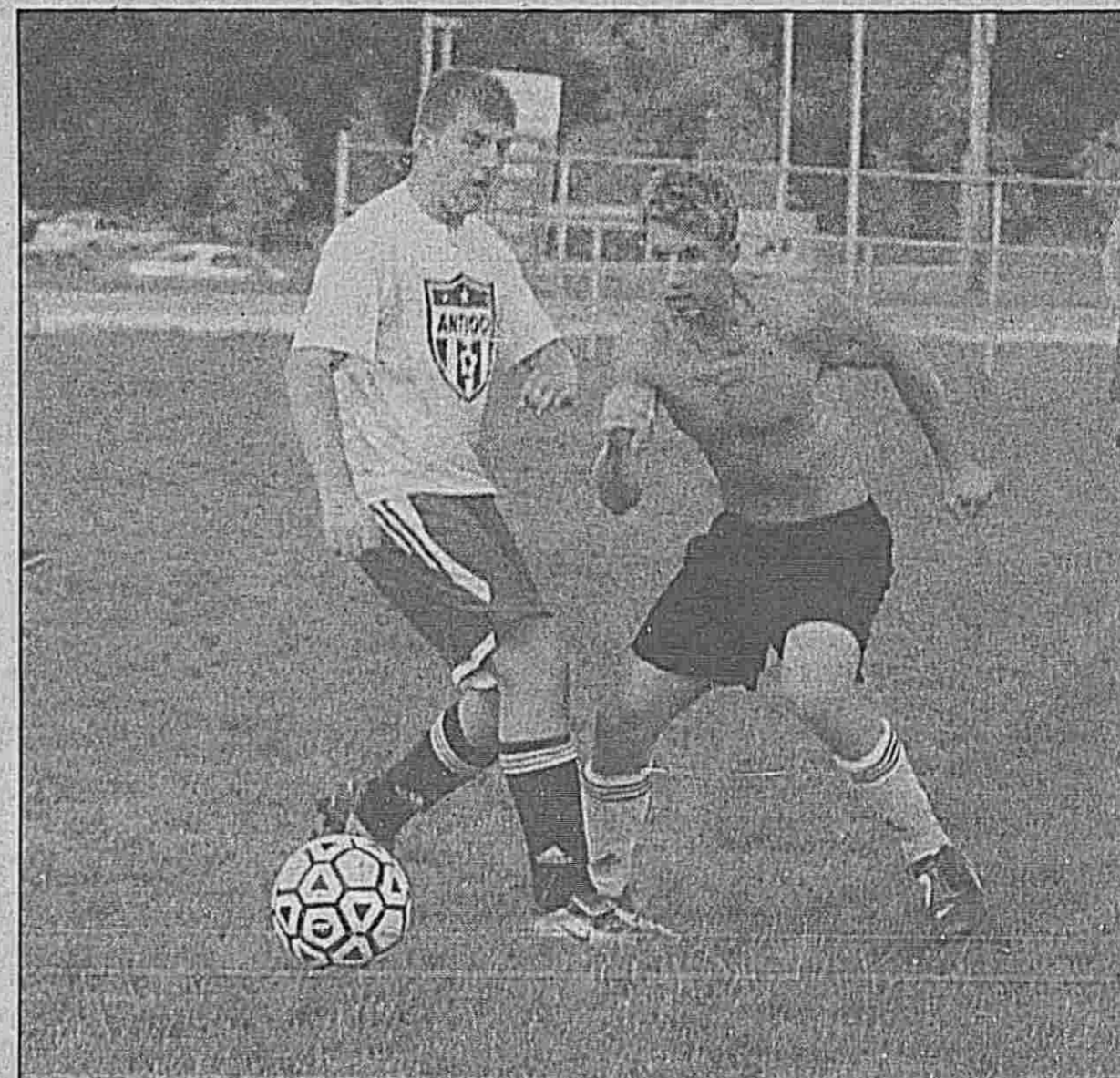
Up-and-comers: Senior Nelson Delgado, junior Jamie Castrejon and sophomore Kelvi Guardaramma

Outlook: Last season's 13-6-6 record was one of the best for Waukegan in recent memory, and head coach Mike Berrie expects more of the same in 2005. "We've made a step forward every year," Berrie said. "It's reasonable to expect a regional title this year, because we have so many quality players. If Alex (Gonzalez) steps up in goal, it's possible for us to make it downstate."



Photos by Steve Young

(Top) Antioch Community High School goalkeeper Alex Springer loads up for a goalkick in a practice at Lakes High in Lake Villa. (Center) Antioch's Robble Scupham prepares to receive a pass during a practice at Lakes High. (Bottom) Members of the Antioch varsity soccer team hold a scrimmage at Lakes High in Lake Villa.



TENNIS

ANTIOCH

Coach: Carolyn Stanley (1st year)

Key returning players: Seniors Lindsay Clutter, Christina Pedersen and Andrea Pinc, junior Brooke Savage and sophomore Maggie Sabatino

Up-and-comers: Juniors Melissa Beckman and Megan Comstock and sophomore Alex Brown

Outlook: Though first-year head coach Carolyn Stanley has some decisions to make regarding her lineup, she's confident she has the players to compete in Antioch's first year in the NSC Prairie division. "We could either have a great 1-2 punch at singles (with Clutter and Sabatino) and decent doubles, or a phenomenal doubles team," Stanley said. "Our number one goal is to win the Prairie division and to compete well in the conference overall. We also want to send at least our doubles team to state."

CARMEL

Coach: Nancy Fehn (6th year)

Key returning players: Seniors Kristina Minor, Lalaine Leonen and Kathleen Callahan

Up-and-comers: Senior Ashley Boho, juniors Abby Zern, Karina Munji and Ellen Kozak, sophomore Hannah Burkert and freshmen Lauren Aguilar and Michelle Kunkler

Outlook: Although the ESCC appears to be getting tougher, Carmel coach Nancy Fehn feels her team can repeat last year's success, which saw the Corsairs take second. "We really have a good chance in conference," Fehn said. "A lot of girls played all summer and really improved. We're playing a very strong doubles game and we have a nationally ranked player (Minor) to lead our singles."

GRANT

Coach: Glenn Hofeldt (5th year)

Key returning players: Senior Jessica Korecky

Up-and-comers: Seniors Megan Quain and Ashley Katzel and juniors Morgan Edwards, Amy Hadlik, Melissa Bychowski, Stephanie Clark, Nicole Manos, Kelly Fox, Janet Grom and Casey Jannney

Outlook: Though his team graduated eight starters, head coach Glenn Hofeldt hopes the team fares well in what will be his last year in charge at Grant. "We'll have to work hard this year, but we'd like to win the Prairie again," said Hofeldt, whose team tied with Wauconda and Vernon Hills for the division title. "But now we have Antioch coming our way, and with Wauconda and Vernon Hills, this should be a very competitive division."

GRAYSLAKE

Coach: Jill Tomasello (1st year)

Key returning players: Seniors Justine Berger and Caroline Kiser and juniors Cata Caro and Darlene Naolhu

Up-and-comers: Sophomore Nicole Sarillo and freshman Megan Hutchinson

Outlook: After being named head coach on Monday, Jill Tomasello had barely 24 hours to assess her team before its first match. But Wei's decision to sit out a year to concentrate on national tournaments, Tomasello likes what she's seen so far. "The girls have been working hard and conditioning to set forth a high precedence of endurance and mental toughness for the Fox Valley Conference," Tomasello said. "We hope to have a few of our players really shine this season."

LAKES

Coach: Bryan Plinske (1st year)

Up-and-comers: Juniors Ingrid Johnson, Kelsey Whitaker, Jennifer Anderson and Lauren Ottinger and sophomores Jessie Yorko and Danielle Lindquist

Outlook: Coming over from Antioch, first-year Lakes coach Bryan Plinske has brought with him the positive attitude and enthusiasm that had become the staples of Sequoia's tennis. And if attitude translated into wins, the Eagles would have to be considered the favorite for the state title in 2005. "The girls have really come together so far and have had a lot of fun," Plinske said. "Our goals every year is to learn to become better tennis players, have fun and try your hardest. If we accomplish those three things, the wins will come."

LIBERTYVILLE

Coach: Dan Kiernan (2nd year)

Key returning players: Seniors Sam Kintzel, Laura Dybel, Louise Arnott, Roseanne Overton, Claire Colao and Adrian Pambianco and sophomore Dina Boulteris

Up-and-comers: Juniors M.T. Lee, Shengxin Jin and Ruth Holzman

Outlook: Singles anchor Sam Kintzel, who

finished in the top-16 at state in 2004, is back to lead the Cats and is looking for All-State honors in her senior season. Also back is sophomore Dina Boulteris, who missed most of last year with a leg injury; though she will likely miss at least the season's first three weeks while recuperating from that same injury. After that, it will be a matter of filling in the most effective doubles lineup possible to help the team compete in a tough NSC, according to head coach Dan Kiernan. "Singles will be our strength again; we're just trying to do the best we can in doubles," Kiernan said. "We're shooting for top-3 in the Lake division, but I would be happy with top-4."

MUNDELEIN

Coach: Jimmy Ku (2nd year)

Key returning players: Seniors Andrea Scarim and Cynthia Panganiban and junior Katelynn Koepke

Up-and-comers: Juniors Kristina Kosova and Liska Wittenberg and freshman Karlie Alms

Outlook: Traditionally, Mundelein has always found itself on the outside looking in on the top-4 in the NSC Lake division, behind traditional powers Lake Forest, Warren, Stevenson and Libertyville, but Jimmy Ku would like to see that change in 2005. "The girls are dying to crack the top-4 and I think we can do it," Ku said. "We also want to have a winning record, and we came close last year and get a player downstate for the first time in a long time."

ROUND LAKE

Coach: Pat Costello (28th year)

Key returning players: Seniors Cindy and Maribel Gomez and Eileen To

Up-and-comers: Seniors Brittany Wiltberger, Kristen Hall, Melissa Solberg and Ana Gonzalez and juniors Nicole Hyble and Ashley Webber

Outlook: Like many teams that were hit hard by graduation, the key to Round Lake's season will be its new players, according to head coach Pat Costello. "Our season will depend on how quickly the new players can develop," Costello said. "The returning seniors should provide excellent leadership to help them along. The girls have been working hard and it is a pleasure to coach."

WARREN

Coach: Vince DeSecki (3rd year)

Key returning players: Seniors Kim Cholewa and Erica Kuchler and junior Karina Kocemba

Up-and-comers: Senior Julie Palmer, juniors Rachel Fallos and Alice Wang and sophomores Allison Strakusek and Taylor Ackerman

Outlook: Despite losing two state qualifiers to graduation, the Devils do return a trio of players, including state qualifier Karina Kocemba, as the team looks to battle with Stevenson, Lake Forest and Libertyville for NSC Lake honors. "We want to finish top-two in conference and qualify five players for state," head coach Vince DeSecki said. "The girls have great chemistry, strong leadership and a desire to compete with the best teams in Lake County."

WAUCONDA

Coach: Melissa Hoffman (4th year)

Key returning players: Seniors Danielle Cunningham, Ariel Cassidy, Courtney Manahan, Amber Likens, Sarah Schoo and Maria Calendo

Up-and-comers: Junior Janine Peddle and sophomore Amanda Marker

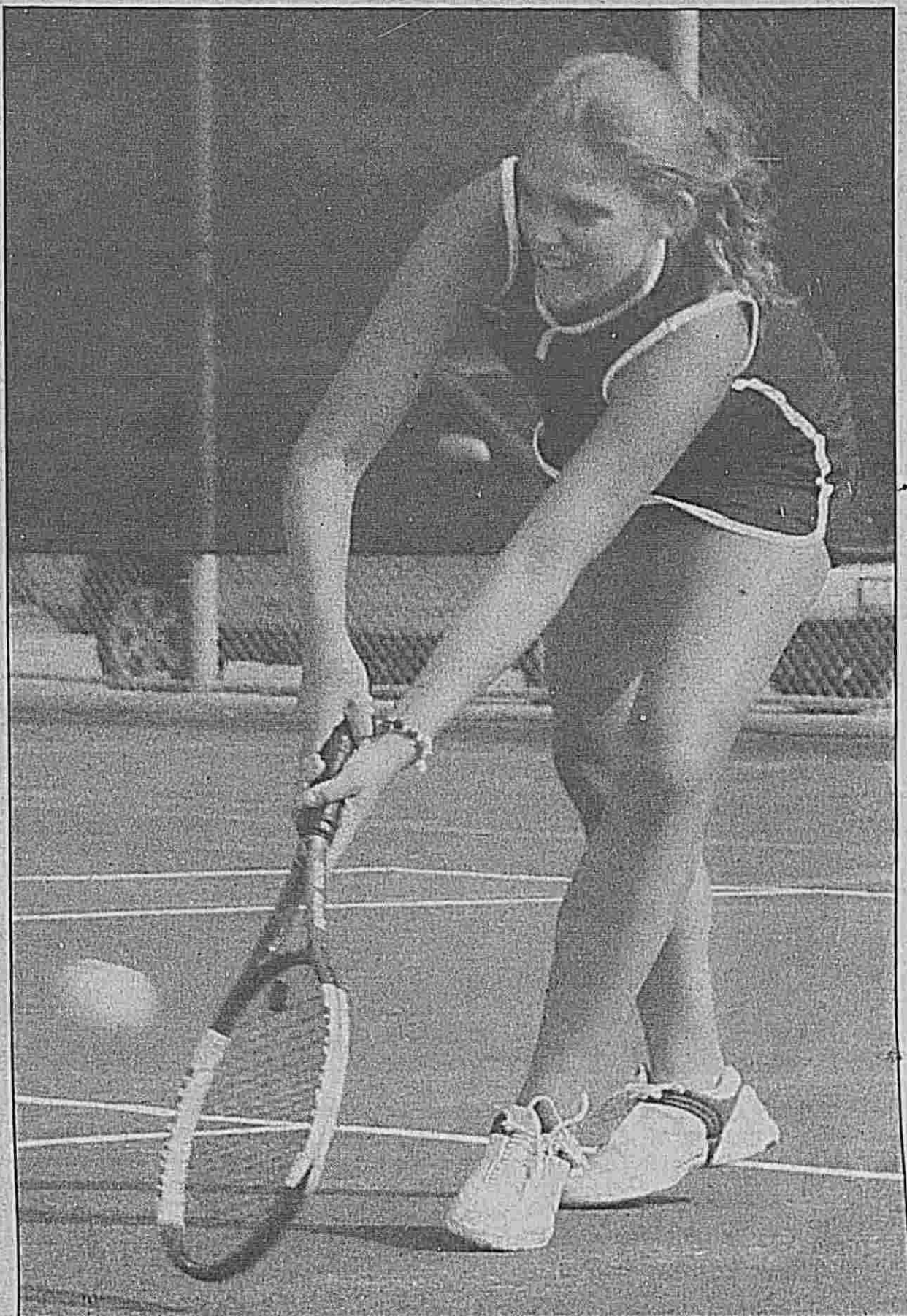
Outlook: With the Wauconda area blowing up in terms of population, so too is the community's interest in tennis, according to head coach Melissa Hoffman. "We usually average 26 to 28 girls, but we had 45 girls come out for the team this year," Hoffman said. "We tied for first in the (Prairie) division last year with Grant and Vernon Hills, and we're hoping to be as successful this year. We're really gaining some momentum as a program."

WAUKEGAN

Coach: Larry Zupec (7th year)

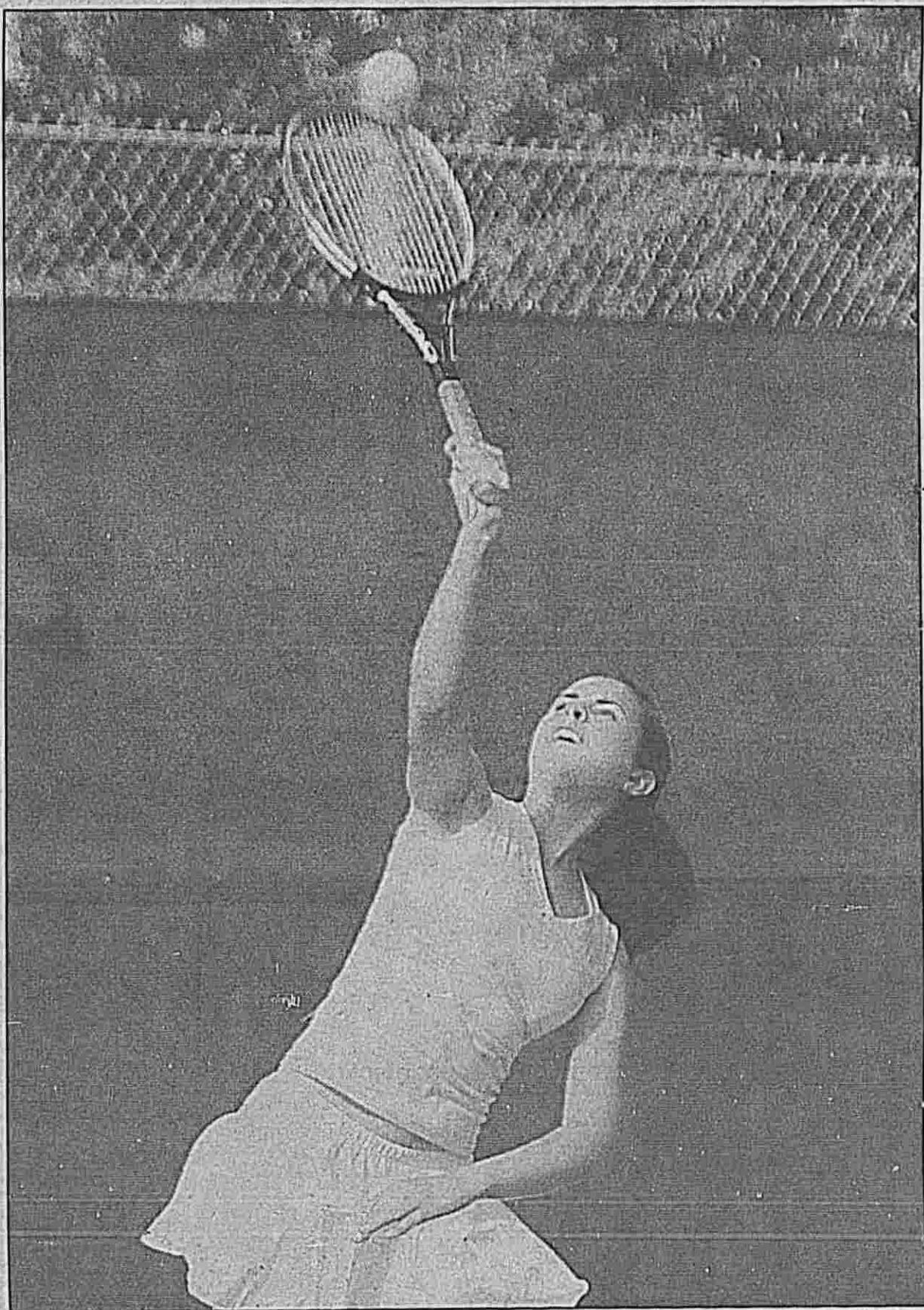
Key returning players: Senior Jennifer Schneider and sophomore Alma Gonzalez

Outlook: Waukegan is coming off its most successful season in years after finishing fourth in the extremely tough Central Suburban League in 2004. However, the Bulldogs graduated all but two of the players from last year's team, so head coach Larry Zupec is hoping his team doesn't suffer a relapse in 2005. "We're starting from scratch," said Zupec, whose team lost 10 seniors to graduation. "We have some beginners and some freshmen who've never played before. But we had a player like that before (2005 graduate Grace Ramos) and she made state two straight years. But this will be a major rebuilding year for us."



Photos by Theresa Scarbrough

(Above) Roseanne Overton, 17, playing in a doubles match for Libertyville High School, goes for the ball in a tennis match against Carmel High School. (Below) Kathleen Callahan, 17, playing for Carmel High School, jumps for the ball in a doubles tennis match against Libertyville High School.



FROM PAGE D1

PRO



Shawn Chism shakes the hand of International Basketball League Operations Director Tony Alvarez during a press conference regarding the formation of the new IBL team, the Lake County Lakers, which is set to begin play in April 2006. Chism is the owner and director of basketball operations for the team and will continue his role as head men's basketball coach for the College of Lake County.

Photo by Sandy Bressner

'I want it to be just like the old barnstorming tours that teams used to have. We want to play all of our home games at high schools throughout the county. We're working with high schools, middle schools and churches to bring the game to them.'

Shawn Chism
Owner of the Lake County Lakers, the county's first professional team

schools, middle schools and churches to bring the game to them.

"And all of the games will be like fund-raisers for local athletic departments, where we're going to split the proceeds from advanced ticket sales. We need to show them that we want to do something for them by helping them raise money."

That plan is something that appealed to the league office, according to operations manager Tony Alvarez.

"Shawn planning to play in local high schools will be more appealing to the crowds," Alvarez said. "It's going to be a more exciting atmosphere to have 1,000 people in a small gym than spread out in a larger arena."

Chism has already shown he can generate some basketball buzz as men's coach at CLC. During his

tenure, the Lancers have become a respected team and continue to draw much larger crowds than before he came on board three years ago. And it's his experience as CLC coach that helped him to welcome the idea of owning a team.

"Being a junior college head coach, that's why I embrace this league," said Chism, who will remain CLC's coach. "All pro players want to enter the NBA and this league attracts players right out of college and gives them a chance to get noticed by scouts. And at CLC, one of my jobs was to get kids noticed by four-year schools."

Although his team is not set to take the court for another seven months, Chism has a lot of work to do in the meantime.

"I'm talking to all of these schools

to set sites for the games, and I've been talking to (former Loyola University men's coach) Larry Farmer to coach the team and he's shown interest," Chism said. "Then I need to try and get some corporate sponsors."

He also has to actually find players for his team, which he hopes to do with open tryouts, starting around Christmastime.

"We want to bring in and sign a couple of local players," Chism said. "The good thing about this league is that all of the games are on the weekends, so players can still have a regular job during the week."

For more information on the Lake County Lakers and the IBL, visit the league's Web site at www.ibl-hoopsonline.com.

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SIDELINES

ally an off year, especially when Carmel's spotless 14-0 2003 state championship bid is taken into consideration. Corsair coach Andy Bitto believes in this group of kids as well, saying that he has "more good high school football players" than he had during the championship run. Now that's a statement for the ages and with Bitto's track record, I would be surprised if he couldn't back it up.

But, enough with the past, now it's time for the future and the Warren Blue Devils could have all the pieces for a deep run in 2005. Senior running back Mitchell Moore returns after gaining 1,663 yards en route to 24 touchdowns. Moore proved difficult to stop, averaging 8.5 yards per carry. After finishing off last season with an 8-3 record, and returning the Moore along with offensive cohorts Marcus Lewis and Marvin Bembry, 2005 could lead to even bigger things.

There you have it — safe picks, but sure picks. Winning begets winning in the high school varsity setting and all three teams certainly have some tradition to live up to. And truthfully, it seems that maintaining those winning ways won't be too difficult for any of these teams.

As for my beloved Bears, call me pessimistic, but it looks like we're going to have to wait until next year yet again. Besides, even if Kyle Orton does live up to his preseason promise, I've taken a blood oath against him — I went to IU.

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CLC PREVIEW

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Coach: Dave Beck (9th year)

Key returning players: Sophomores Kara McIlhany, Kate Malcolm, Danielle Stroessle, Sarah Carlson, Jill Hernandez and Mallory Holler

Up-and-comers: Freshmen Gina Orlando (Warren), Melissa Pohlman (Antioch), Clare Pedersen (Wauconda), Casey Sheridan (Antioch), Courtney Czosk (Antioch), Patti Grant (Wauconda), Kristen Cashman (Grayslake), Caroline Phelps and Ezra Lopez

Outlook: Usually players look up to a coach, but in CLC's case head coach Dave Beck is having to look up to some of his players for the first time in his nine years at the helm of the Lancers. "I'm 5-10 and I'm looking up at three or four players and I'm looking straight ahead at a few more," Beck said. "It's nice to have some size for a change and we're not losing anything in terms of speed or endurance." Still, the Lancers managed to do okay last year with diminutive forwards Jennifer Jagla and Kristy DeClark, who was an All-American in '04, managing a second place finish both in the Skyway Conference and the state tournament. In addition to the numerous players returning from last year's team, Beck has recruited some of last season's best North Suburban Conference players to lead the Lancers forward in 2005. "We lost two great forwards, but I'm very excited with how Gina Orlando and Melissa Pohlman have performed in practice so far," Beck said. CLC also appears loaded in the middle with Casey Sheridan, Courtney Czosk and Clare Pedersen. And with Kate Malcolm back to lead new defenders Kristin Cashman and Ezra Lopez, the Lancers appear balanced at every position, including goal, where freshman Patti Grant will look to step in if returning keeper Kara McIlhany is slow to return from a knee injury. "This team has incredible potential," Beck said. "We have size, speed, talent and depth. The potential is there to win conference and, if we can stay healthy, to compete for a state title."

MEN'S GOLF

Coach: Larry Leon (5th year)

Key returning players: sophomores Phil Janik, Herving Sanchez and James Preber

Up-and-comers: Freshmen Brian Placzowski, Brett Blackburn (Johnsburg), Tony DePersio (Antioch), Matt Hansen (Carmel) and Dean Richter (Grant)

Outlook: Though CLC lost two of its top golfers from 2004, the team is more balanced this year, according to head coach Larry Leon. "We have a lot more depth this year than in the past," Leon said. "I think we have some real solid players here." Back to lead the way is sophomore Phil Janik, who averaged a 74 and finished second in the Skyway

Conference last year. However, he isn't being conceded the team's No. 1 spot, according to Leon. "I expect Phil to make a run at the Skyway title, but Brian Placzowski is right on his heels," Leon said. "He's done very well in practice so far." With the Highland 36 tournament in Freeport, which has some of the state's top teams, approaching this weekend, Leon feels it will be a good barometer of where his team stands. "We probably have more talent returning than most teams, but we'll find out this weekend what the other teams have," Leon said. "We also have a number of other tournaments in September, so we'll have a good idea of where we are."

MEN'S SOCCER

Coach: Kreig Alm (2nd year)

Key returning players: Sophomores Rodolfo Colores and Erik Larsen

Up-and-comers: Freshmen Pedro Ocampo, Chris Hall and Matt Bowers.

Outlook: With just two players back from last year's team that struggled to a 2-18 record, CLC coach Kreig Alm feels this season is a chance to "start anew." The Lancers' two returning players, Rodolfo Colores and Erik Larsen, will look to lead the team toward its ultimate goal of a .500 season. "We have great skill and we'll be very competitive, so it's very possible for us to finish .500 or better," Alm said. "These guys have commitment and get along well. I think we can also compete in conference and surprise some people because no one will see us coming after how we did last year." Given his team's youth Alm knows a slow start is likely, but he also feels that they'll turn it around by the season's second half. "We'll get a lot better as we go along and we'll probably pick up a lot of our wins in the second half (of the season)," he said.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Coach: Roger Ozima (2nd year)

Key returning players: Sophomores Joanna Wolosz, Aubrey Madsen, Jenna Runge, Megan Krizman, Kim Steele, Jennie Dewar and Daisy Lee

Up-and-comers: Freshmen Ashley Wisler (Antioch) and Rochie Vergara (Grayslake)

Outlook: Though all of the players who took part in CLC's unprecedented 32-match win streak in 2003 have now graduated, the team does return several players from last year's squad, which also won 30-plus matches. And head coach Roger Ozima does not envision any sort of drop off in 2005 as his team continues its rise up the Illinois junior college ranks. "With a tougher non-conference schedule this year, we are looking to move to the next level," he said. "The players have set individual and team goals that can be met with continued hard work and enthusiasm."

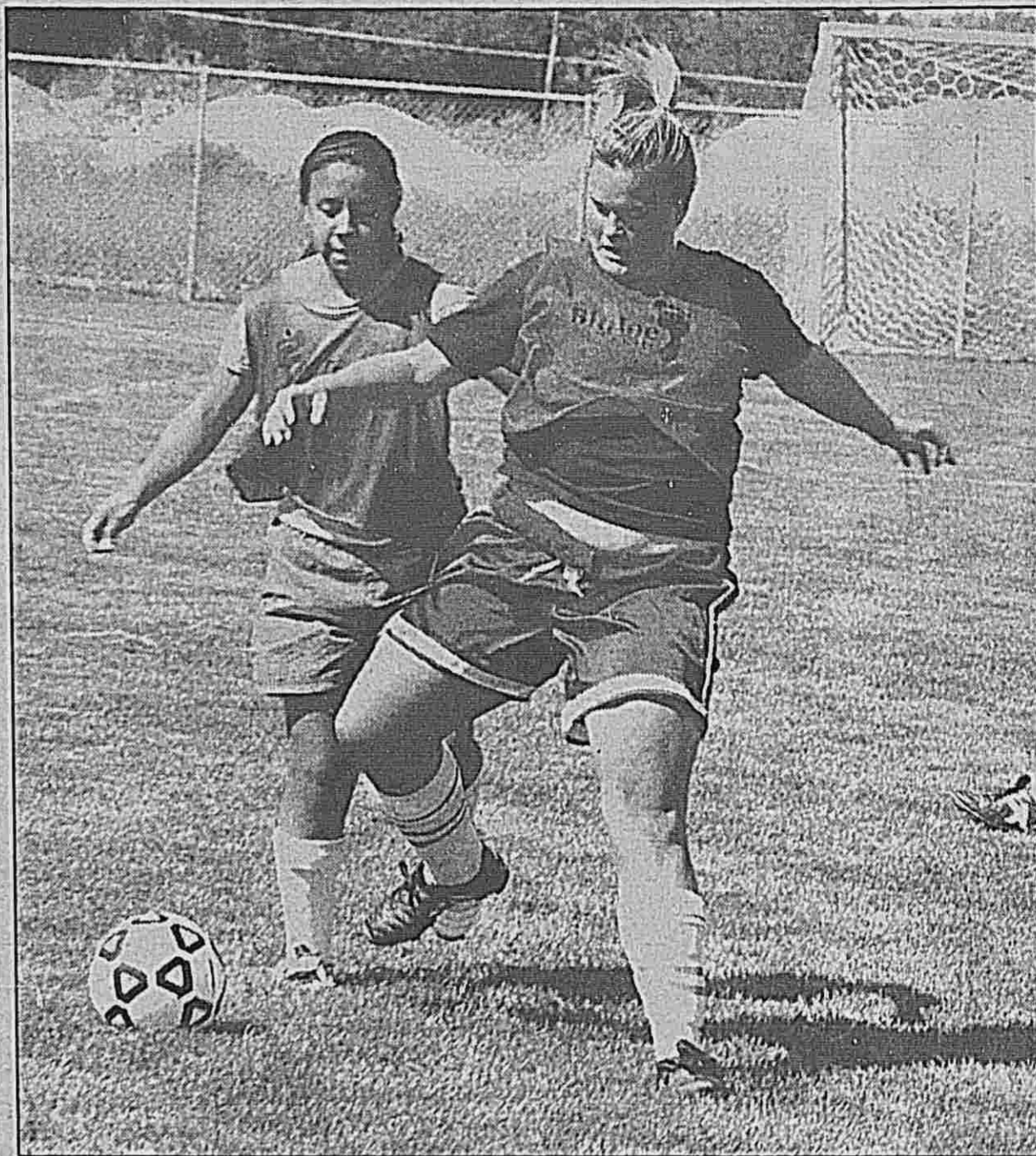
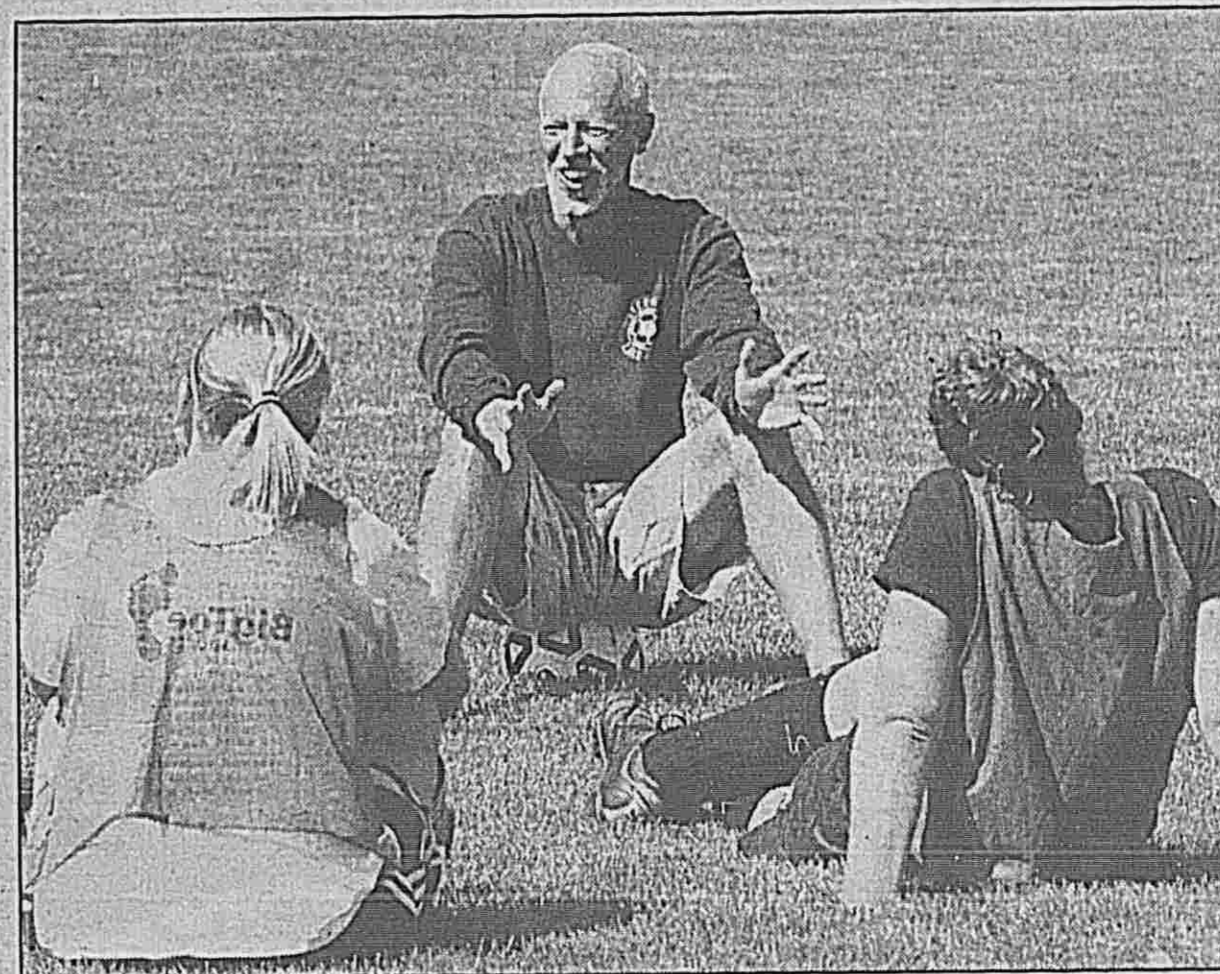


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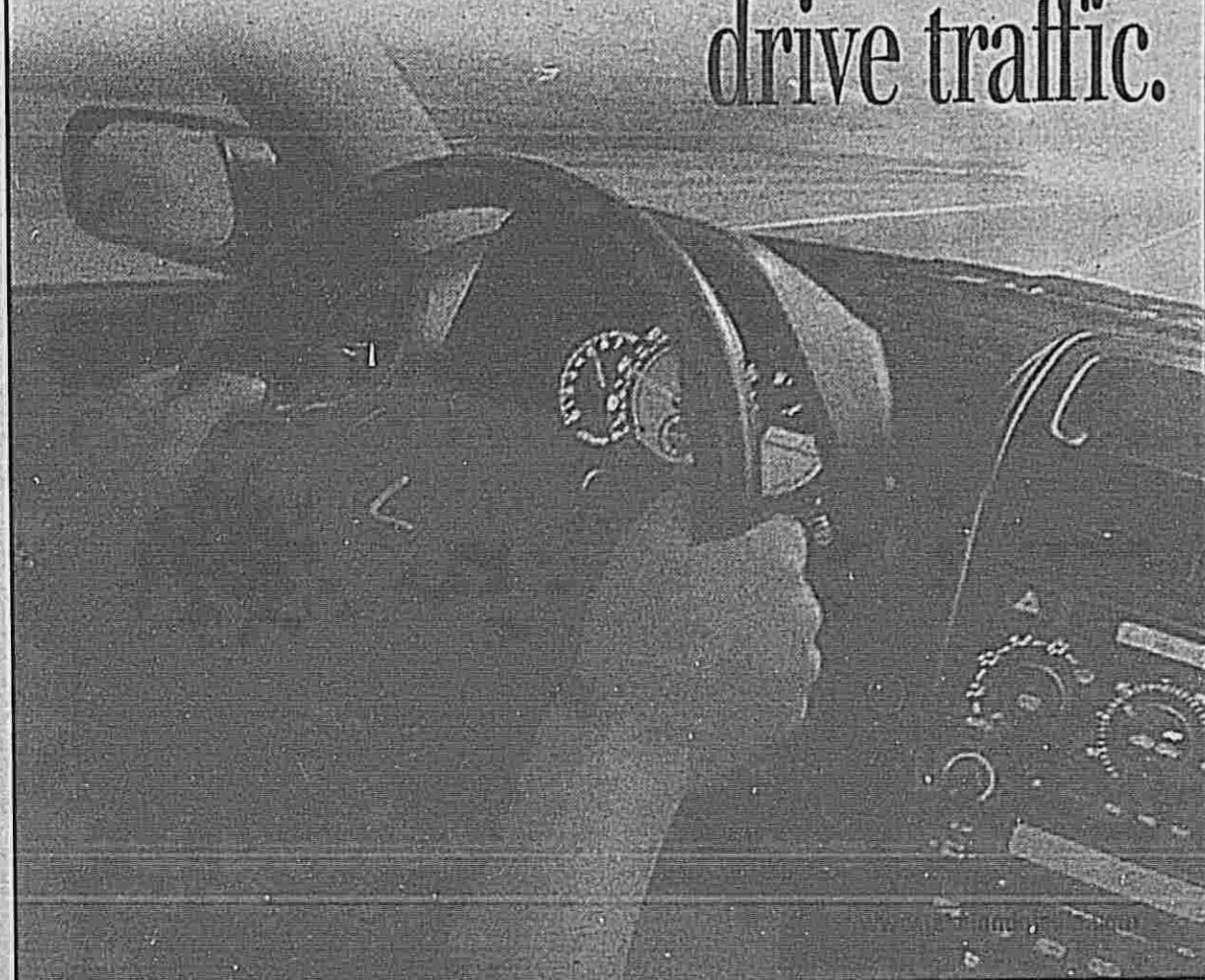
(Above) College of Lake County soccer players Danielle Stroessle and Yullana Hernandez battle for the ball during a practice in Grayslake (Center) College of Lake County goalie Patti Grant attempt to block a goal during a practice in Grayslake. (Bottom) College of Lake County soccer coach Dave Beck talks with his team during a practice in Grayslake.



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By Scott T. Fleischmann

There are those who say that references are no longer valid because employers, fearing litigation, will not give any pertinent information. That is not true.

Firstly, a good recruiter can always find the best references and extract the needed information. It is true that during the 1970's and 1980's, those who were not hired decided that suing potential employers was the best alternative to being qualified. When employers documented valid reasons for not hiring these candidates, references were then sued for slander.

Although there were some valid cases, most were as superfluous as the person who sued a fast food chain after she spilled hot coffee on herself. Executives panicked. They issued edicts that no manager was allowed to give a reference on a former employee. All reference requests were referred to the Human Resources Department. They would confirm dates of employment, job title and salary only.

That approach worked for several years until a new employee went postal shortly after being hired. This person had been fired for violence at a previous employer who failed to mention it in a standard reference check. The victim's family sued that reference (the employer who issued the edict not to provide the information requested) and won.

Now employers are in a difficult situation. They could be sued if they provide appropriate information, and they are vulnerable to the same consequence if they do not provide needed information. The current employer consensus is to give only the facts that are requested. Good recruiters will ask for positive and negative information. Therefore, they are getting valid reference checks more easily than in recent years.

What does that mean to job seekers? We need to be able to build relationships with references that will provide valid positive information. Since we all have liabilities, we also want those references to provide the negative information in a manner that is consistent with our description of our own foibles.

The best way to do that is to be on good terms with everyone with whom we work. Too often, a reference is faded by a dispute that was poorly handled, by an unacceptable performance that was never resolved, or by a prideful employee who could not apologize for inappropriate behavior. Although common courtesy is no longer in vogue, it is the basis for building good relationships. Those relationships then lead to good references.

"But I can't be expected to get along with everyone." That is probably true. However, most of us do not cultivate as many good relationships as we could. The best recruiters will network through the references. In other words they will ask each reference "Who else should I talk to about Scott's skills and experience." They will then contact the additional references given. Therefore, they will likely contact some people who are not on the reference list that you provided.

It takes little effort to build good relationships. No additional time is required. Those relationships will make the workplace more enjoyable and will provide solid references for the next job search.

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Things are looking up this week, and you can expect to hear some good news. Make the most of this stroke of luck, Aries. Share your good fortune with others.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

You will have much more responsibility to deal with this week, Taurus. Don't let it get you down, though. Higher-ups will be watching and taking note of your work ethic.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

You may think you have everything under control, but when you least expect it, your life will go topsy turvy. The only thing to expect, Gemini, is the unexpected.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Eliminate the negative thinking that has been holding you back, Cancer. By changing your outlook, you'll certainly change the way others interact with you.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

Expect hidden issues that will leave you with a dilemma. Avoid relationships with coworkers, Leo; it could only lead to trouble. And you don't need any more trouble in your life.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Don't overspend on entertainment just to impress someone, Virgo. This person should like you for who you are, not what you have. Move on if you feel unappreciated.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

You're confused about a particular situation, Libra, and not seeing events for what they really are. Keep quiet or else you're bound to start trouble unnecessarily.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Someone is trying to take advantage of you, Scorpio. Don't give away all of your secrets — you know you're smarter than that. A "friend's" true colors will show through.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

You're invited to be part of an influential group, Sagittarius. Don't pass up the opportunity, even if it requires a financial contribution to get you started.

CAPRICORN- Dec 22/Jan 20

Don't mix business with pleasure this week, Capricorn. Otherwise you'll be the center of attention for all the wrong reasons. Pay attention to subtle clues from your peers.

AQUARIUS-Jan 21/Feb 18

Think about what your partner would love to do, Aquarius, and then plan the week's events around his or her likes. You'll win plenty of brownie points.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

Watch out for potential money-makers in the week to come, Pisces. You can end up with more cash in your pocket if you play your cards right.

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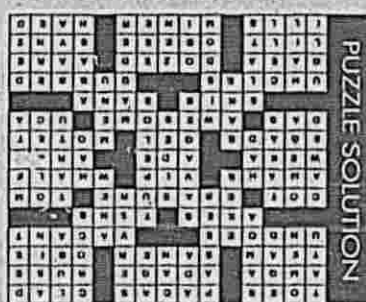
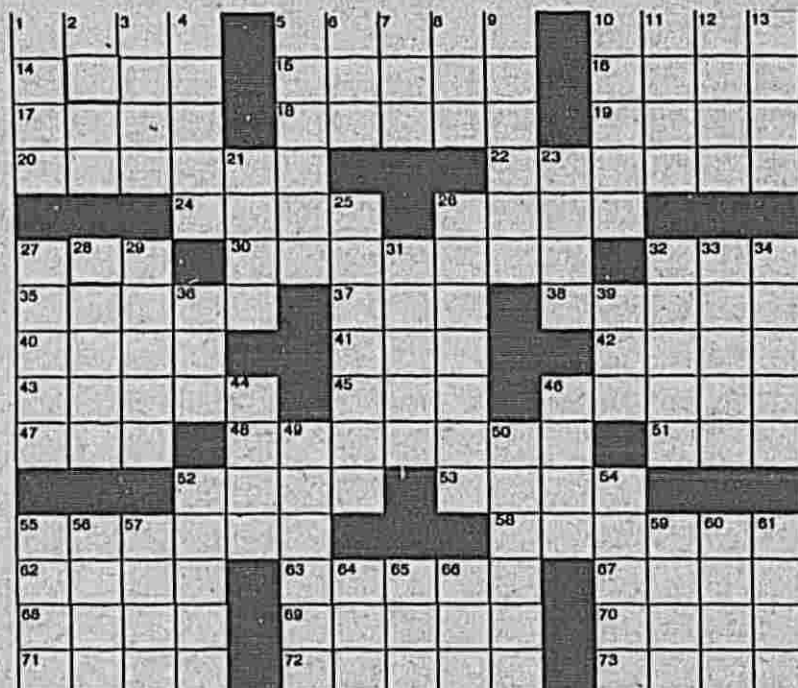
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67. Swiss river
68. A rhythmic swing
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71. Ailments
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1. Armadillo
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	General Town	General Assistance	Invnt/Social Security	Road and Bridge	Capital Projects	Total Governmental Funds
Beginning Fund Balance April 1, 2004	\$ 205,307.00	\$ 146,718.00	\$ 81,794.00	\$ 637,558.00	\$ 80,246.00	\$ 1,151,621.00
Revenues	\$ 808,382.00	\$ 96,489.00	\$ 67,913.00	\$ 1,443,515.00	\$ 248.00	\$ 2,405,545.00
Expenditures	\$ 690,689.00	\$ 91,028.00	\$ 74,090.00	\$ 1,163,583.00	\$ 86,683.00	\$ 2,106,221.00
Excess of Revenues Received Over (Under) Expenditures Disbursed	\$ 117,693.00	\$ 5,461.00	\$ (16,177.00)	\$ 279,932.00	\$ 261.00	\$ 299,324.00
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Bank Loan Proceeds	\$				\$70,000.00	
Operating Transfer In	\$					
Operating Transfer Out	\$ (70,000.00)					
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ 47,693.00	\$ 5,461.00	\$ (16,177.00)	\$ 279,932.00	\$ 261.00	\$ 299,324.00
Ending Fund Balance March 31, 2005	\$ 252,920.00	\$ 152,179.00	\$ 65,617.00	\$ 917,490.00	\$ 80,507.00	\$ 1,450,743.00

GRANT TOWNSHIP TREASURER'S REPORT FISCAL YEAR ENDED: MARCH 31, 2005

TOWN FUND
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE 205,307

PROPERTY TAXES 732,832: NON-CURRENT

REVENUES:

PROPERTY TAXES 1,893: PERSONAL
PROPERTY REPL TAX 16,411: PICNIC
PARK/WALK RUN REVENUE 11,399: PROPERTY
SALES 11,409: BUILDING USE/DONATIONS
900: OTHER REIMBURSEMENTS 164:
DONATIONS CHRISTMAS BASKETS 9,143:
PASSPORT SERVICE FEES 3,810:
RAFFLE PROCEEDS 10,570: * REIMBURSEMENTS
FROM PACE 2,085: INTEREST INCOME
2,935: REVENUE PARK AND RECREATION
4,825:

TOTAL REVENUES 808,382
LESS - EXPENDITURES 760,869
ENDING FUND BALANCE 252,920

EXPENDITURES:

#3612 NCPERS GRP LIFE INS 336: ACM ELEVATOR COMPANY 3,873:
AFLAC 3,356:
THELMA M. ALLEN 9,993: ALLIANCE CONTRACTORS INC 2,563:
AMERICAN EXPRESS
COMPANY 653: AMERICAN MUNICIPAL SOFTWARE 600: SBC 1,945:
SBC 1,420:
BARK ASSOCIATES 4,795: BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF ILL 7,572:
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930: WILLIAM J. BRUMBACH 5,556: BURRIS EQUIPMENT CO. 9,792:
BURRIS EQUIPMENT
COMPANY 1,200: CAVALLIO TRUCKING INC 1,600: CDW GOVERN-
MENT INC 6,260:
CHAIN O' LAKES LUMBER CO. 1,040: CLARKE ENVIRONMENTA MOS-
QUITO 21,504:
COMMONWEALTH EDISON 4,194: CONSERV FS 660: LAKE COUNTY
TREASURER 7,664:
DELL MARKETING L.P. 2,085: DIANE KIESGEN 900: DOMINICKS - FOX
LAKE 4,120:
E.F.T.P.S. 71,659: ERIE INSURANCE GROUP 11,286: FIRST IMPRES-
SION WINDOW
CLEAN 402: FISCHER BROS. 478: FOX VALLEY GRAPHICS INC 1,520:
JUNE F.
FROST 3,913: GORDON FLESCHE COMPANY, INC. 528: GRANT TOWN-
SHIP 5,300:
GRANT TWPSP PERMANENT ROAD FUND 1,807: GROWER EQUIP-
MENT & SUPPLY CO 2,152:
GUARDIAN LIFE INSURANCE CO. 45,711: ROBERT P. HAMM 5,556:
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4,616: HUEMANN WATER CONDITIONING 1,340: I.M.R.F. 16,011: IL DIR
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EMPLOYMENT SECURITY 1,111: ILL. PROPERTY ASSESSMENT INST.
1,000: ILLINOIS
DEPT. OF REVENUE 9,564: IN-TOUCH COMMUNICATIONS INC 300:
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29,613: JEWEL FOOD STORE 1,049: JIM BRIMM & ASSOCIATES INC
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52,374: ANGELA M. KUBALANZA-RAPPE 24,526: LA FORCE INC 1,017:
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733: MENARDS
FOX LAKE 3,410: NANCY NYSTROM 807: NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT
SOL 4,920:
ROBERT R. NIEMI 7,786: NICOR GAS 1,275: NORTHWEST ELECTRICAL
SUPPLY 399:
NANCY L. NYSTROM 16,424: CARRIE D. O'NEILL 8,052: OFFICE PLUS
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COUNTY 3,073: ORKIN EXTERMINATING COMPANY 684: PAYNE &
DOLAN INC 2,491:
DBA/PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS 3,322: PETER JAKSTAS 1,000:
PETTY CASH 659:
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32,590: RYDIN DECAL 842: S. SIEGEL & ASSOC LTD 1,500: SAM'S
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TOVIC 57,024:
STOLARICK & COMPANY 5,598: RICHARD W. STUEBER 5,556: SUN
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& PROMOTIO 1,237: SUPERIOR PAVING INC 1,582: TOTAL COMFORT
INC 4,398:
TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS OF ILLINOIS 1,766: TRAFFIC CONTRL & PRO-
TECTION INC
2,221: TRUGREEN CHEMLAWN 829: TURF CONSULTANTS, INC 7,641:
U.S. BANK
650: U.S. POSTAL SERVICE 770: ULINE 665: US POSTAL SERVICE-
NEOPOST 1,250:
VERIZON WIRELESS 468: VERIZON WIRELESS 857: VILLAGE OF FOX
LAKE 571:
VULCAN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALLP 215: WALTER KUBALANZA
2,271: WASTE MANAGEMENT
NORTH 2,917: WISCONSIN DEPT OF REVENUE 2,436:
LESS - PAYROLL TAXES AND ADJUSTMENTS INCLUDED ABOVE:
50,901:

TOTAL OTHERS LESS THAN \$600:

TOWN FUND TOTAL 760,869

TOWN RETIREMENT FUND
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE 81,794

PROPERTY TAXES 40,711: NON-CURRENT

REVENUES:

PROPERTY TAXES 78: PERS. PROP
REPLACEMENT TAX 16,411: INTEREST
INCOME 711:
TOTAL REVENUES 57,913
LESS - EXPENDITURES 74,090
ENDING FUND BALANCE 65,617

EXPENDITURES:

E.F.T.P.S. 34,446: I.M.R.F. 39,643:

LESS - PAYROLL TAXES AND ADJUSTMENTS INCLUDED ABOVE: 1CR:

74,090

TOWN RETIREMENT FUND TOTAL

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE 146,718

PROPERTY TAXES 96,990: NON-CURRENT

REVENUES:

PROPERTY TAXES 1,972CR: OTHER
REIMBURSEMENTS 10: INTEREST INCOME
1,461:
TOTAL REVENUES 96,489
LESS - EXPENDITURES 91,026
ENDING FUND BALANCE 152,181

EXPENDITURES:

#3612 NCPERS GRP LIFE INS 144: AFLAC 444: AMERICAN EXPRESS
COMPANY 64:
SBC 1,376: BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF ILL 323: COMMON-
WEALTH EDISON 2,261:
COMMONWEALTH EDISON 4,194: DELL MARKETING L.P. 1,744:
DOMINICKS - FOX
LAKE 3,373: E.F.T.P.S. 9,797: FIRST IMPRESSION WINDOW CLEANI
199:
FOX LAKE MOTEL 1,235: FOX VALLEY GRAPHICS INC 600: JUNE F.
FROST 35,157:
GORDON FLESCHE COMPANY, INC. 528: GUARDIAN LIFE INSURANCE
CO. 4,544:
HEALTHCARE SERVICE CORPORATION 3,864: HOME DEPOT/GEFC
265: I.M.R.F.
1,968: ILLINOIS DEPT. OF REVENUE 1,557: IN-TOUCH COMMUNICA-
TIONS INC
150: JUNE A. JACKOVICH 3,289: LAKELAND MEDIA 183: LES LEE
PRINTING COMPANY
180: NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOL 2,400: NICOR 3,977: NICOR
GAS 1,275:
OFFICE PLUS OF LAKE COUNTY 681: PETTY CASH 8: POSTMASTER
226: SAM'S
CLUB # 8184 162: JOSEPH A. SCHULTZ 881: PAUL F. SCHULTZ 5,340:
STAHL
COWEN CROWLEY LLC 165: CATHERINE STAROSTOVIC 164:
T.J. ADAMS GROUP LLC
1,900: U.S. POSTAL SERVICE 385: ULINE 325: US POSTAL SERVICE-
NEOPOST
200: VERIZON WIRELESS 468: VILLAGE OF FOX LAKE 196: VILLAGE
OF FOX LAKE
795: WALGREENS 996:
LESS - PAYROLL TAXES AND ADJUSTMENTS INCLUDED ABOVE:
16,337:

TOTAL OTHERS LESS THAN \$600:

GENERAL ASSISTANCE TOTAL

ROAD & BRIDGE

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE 286,278

PROPERTY TAXES 442,698: PPRT 11,337:

REVENUES:

DISTRIBUTION OF FINES 144: OTHER
REIMBURSEMENTS 9,438: INTEREST
INCOME 4,296:
TOTAL REVENUES 467,914
LESS - EXPENDITURES 449,634
ENDING FUND BALANCE 304,558

EXPENDITURES:

ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER 1,232: ADAMS STEEL SERVICE INC
1,097: SBC 3,851:
BARNES DISTRIBUTION GROUP INC 1,296: BLUE CROSS/BLUE
SHIELD OF ILL 2,503:
BONNELL INDUSTRIES INC 1,178: BURRIS EQUIPMENT CO. 4,918:
CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL
TRUCK 1,118: CLARKE MOSQUITO CONTROL PRODUC 1,808: COM-
MONWEALTH EDISON
6,100: COMMONWEALTH EDISON 68,679: CONSERV FS 61: LAKE
COUNTY TREASURER
151: CRYSTAL LAKE TIRE & BATTERY INC 3,341: DUECO INC 1,589:
E.F.T.P.S.
13,476: ERIE INSURANCE GROUP 73,641: FOX VALLEY GRAPHICS
INC 600:
FREUND INTERNATIONAL 1,084: GARY HOEHNE & SONS EXC 2,115:
GRAYSLAKE
FEED SALES, INC. 2,435: GROWER EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY CO 163:
GUARDIAN LIFE
INSURANCE CO. 36,597: HALL SIGNS INC 728: HEALTHCARE SER-
VICE CORPORATION
36,428: HOME DEPOT/GEFC 1,532: I.M.R.F. 2,998: IL DIR OF EMPLOY-
MENT
SECURITY 1,046: ILLINOIS DEPT. OF REVENUE 1,806: ILLINOIS EPA
FISCAL
SVC SECTIO 1,000: IN-TOUCH COMMUNICATIONS INC 150: INDUS-
TRIAL TOWEL
& UNIFORM, INC 3,187: INTERSTATE BATTERIES OF NO ILL 774: JOE
MEYER TREE
SERVICE INC 450: JOSEPH H. HUEMANN & SONS INC 331: JULIE INC
1,887:
KIMBER KIESGEN 28,156: KIMBER KIESGEN 661: LAKELAND MEDIA
322: LINDCO
EQUIPMENT SALES INC 615: LINDE GAS LLC 656: MARK GOEBEL
ENTERPRISES
INC 2,000: MCALLISTER EQUIPMENT CO 1,068: MCCANN INDUS-
TRIES INC 1,170:
MCHENRY COUNTY SUPPLY, INC 98: MENARDS - FOX LAKE 3,058:
METRA 765:
MORTON SALT 15,379: NAPA AUTO SUPPLY - FOX LAKE 6,047:
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT
SOL 1,512: NEXTEL COMMUNICATIONS 6,873: NICOR 5,412: NORTH-
WEST ELECTRICAL
SUPPLY 780: OFFICE MAX CREDIT PLAN 1,712: PATLIN INC 1,447:
PEDERSEN
GMC CO 21,326: POSTMASTER 189: R. A. ADAMS ENTERPRISES,
INC. 12,384:
R.A.K. INDUSTRIES 614: RICMAR INDUSTRIES 1,019: SAFETY-KLEEN
CORP. 1,232:
SAM'S CLUB # 8184 240: SAM'S CLUB 785: SEARS COMMERCIAL
ONE 1,542:
SIGN APPEAL 125: STAHL COWEN CROWLEY LLC 8,097: RONALD M.
STAROSTOVIC
38,378: SUPERIOR PAVING INC 400: TERRA TECHNOLOGY LAND

1,925: THELEN
SAND & GRAVEL INC 1,080: TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS OF ILLINOIS 937:
TRAFFIC
CONTRL & PROTECTION INC 431: U.S. BANK 400: U.S. POSTAL SER-
VICE 385:
US POSTAL SERVICE-NEOPOST 325: VICTOR MOTORSPORTS 1,223:
VILLAGE OF
FOX LAKE 2,245: VULCAN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALLP 7:
GRAINGER 1,205:
WASTE MANAGEMENT NORTH 2,558: WAY-KEN CONTRACTORS
SUPPLY CO. 12,476:
ZARNOTH BRUSH WORKS, INC. 954: ZEP MANUFACTURING COM-
PANY 623:
LESS - PAYROLL TAXES AND ADJUSTMENTS INCLUDED ABOVE:
33,496:

TOTAL OTHERS LESS THAN \$600:

10,933 ROAD & BRIDGE TOTAL 449,634

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ROAD RETIREMENT FUND
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE 147,184

PROPERTY TAXES 32,484: PERS PROP.

REVENUES:

REPLACEMENT TAX 13,856: INTEREST
INCOME 1,263:
TOTAL REVENUES 47,604
LESS - EXPENDITURES 56,393
ENDING FUND BALANCE 138,395

EXPENDITURES:

E.F.T.P.S. 25,806: I.M.R.F. 30,583:
LESS - PAYROLL TAXES AND ADJUSTMENTS INCLUDED ABOVE:
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ROAD RETIREMENT FUND TOTAL

56,393

BUILDING & EQUIPMENT

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE 23,938

PROPERTY TAXES 56,856: INTEREST

REVENUES:

INCOME 183:
TOTAL REVENUES 57,040
LESS - EXPENDITURES 13,558
ENDING FUND BALANCE 67,420

EXPENDITURES:

ADAMS STEEL SERVICE INC 154: BURRIS EQUIPMENT CO. 408:
HOME DEPOT/GEFC
2,434: LOWES BUSINESS ACCOUNT 2,333: MENARDS - FOX LAKE
145: NAPA AUTO
SUPPLY - FOX LAKE 187: R. A. ADAMS ENTERPRISES, INC. 69:
SAM'S CLUB
3,184: TIP PLUS CORP 3,270: GRAINGER 428:
TOTAL OTHERS LESS THAN \$600:

945 BUILDING & EQUIPMENT TOTAL

13,558

PERMANENT ROAD

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE 180,156

PROPERTY TAXES 837,355: OTHER

REVENUES:

REIMBURSEMENTS 28,909: INTEREST
INCOME 3,692:
TOTAL REVENUES 869,957
LESS - EXPENDITURES 643,968
ENDING FUND BALANCE 406,145

EXPENDITURES:

ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER 87: ADAMS STEEL SERVICE INC
58: AFLAC 1,260:
AMSTON SUPPLY INC 1,228: AVALON PETROLEUM COMPANY
71,217: BERGER EXCAVATING
INC 64,304: ROBERT G. CHILD 2,016: CLAHKE MOSQUITO CONTROL
PRODUC 3,519:
CONSERV FS 3,745: COUNTY TREASURER 8,571: CURRAN CON-
TRACTING CO 2,551:
E.F.T.P.S. 58,413: FISCHER BROS. 7,007: THOMAS A. FRIEL 36,476: G.
RABINE
& SONS INC 5,500: GARY HOEHNE & SONS EXC 1,822: GEWALT
HAMILTON ASSOCIATES
INC 18,541: DANIEL L. HAGI 54,276: HOME DEPOT/GEFC 31: I.M.R.F.
13,024:
ILLINOIS DEPT. OF REVENUE 7,679: INDUSTRIAL SYSTEMS LTD 936:
JOE MEYER
TREE SERVICE INC 2,240: JW PETERS 13,543: KIMBER KIESGEN
169: DANNY
E. LAMB 14,235: LONG LAKE LUMBER COMPANY 1,787: MCCANN
INDUSTRIES INC.
283: MCHENRY COUNTY SUPPLY, INC 11,194: MENARDS - FOX LAKE
872: MORTON
SALT 25,406: GREGORY J. MURREY 45,794: NATIONAL WATER-
WORKS-LAKE BLUFF
5,011: NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOL 3,936: NORTHFIELD BLOCK
COMPANY 7,470:
PAYNE & DOLAN INC 45,029: PETERSEN SAND & GRAVEL, INC.
2,209: RAY SCHRAMER
& CO. 7,857: RICMAR INDUSTRIES 138: CHRISTOPHER SAMMARTI-
NO 48,396:
JAMES M. SMACK 60,154: STATE DISBURSEMENT UNIT 3,552: SUPE-
RIOR PAVING
INC 10,404: THELEN SAND & GRAVEL INC 4,027: TRAFFIC CONTRL &
PROTECTION
INC 6,703: VULCAN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALLP 4,033: WISCON-
SIN DEPT OF REVENUE
151: WILLIAM A. WISER 44,295:
LESS - PAYROLL TAXES AND ADJUSTMENTS INCLUDED ABOVE:
86,634:

TOTAL OTHERS LESS THAN \$600:

840 PERMANENT ROAD TOTAL 643,968

CAPITOL PROJECTS

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE 80,246

INTEREST INCOME 246: CAPITAL PROJ

REVENUES:

REVENUE FROM TOWN 70,000:
TOTAL REVENUES 70,246
LESS - EXPENDITURES 66,683
ENDING FUND BALANCE 63,609

EXPENDITURES:

ALLIANCE CONTRACTORS INC 2,563: FISCHER BROS. 478: HARRIS
BANK 76,500:
HOME DEPOT/GEFC 225: PAYNE & DOLAN INC 2,491: REIDESIGNE
MAINTENANCE
4,420: LESS - PAYROLL TAXES AND ADJUSTMENTS INCLUDED
ABOVE: 5CR:

CAPITOL PROJECTS TOTAL 86,682

CERTIFICATION

I, CATHERINE STAROSTOVIC, SUPERVISOR OF GRANT TOWNSHIP,
LAKE COUNTY, Illinois do hereby certify that the above
is a true copy of the Annual Treasurer's Report
for the fiscal year ending MARCH 31, 2005.

CATHERINE STAROSTOVIC, SUPERVISOR

PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS:

Levy's Enchanted Gifts

NATURE/PURPOSE:

Mail/catalog orders &
online/website

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS- ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:

312 N. Bernice Ct., Round
Lake, IL 60073.

NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS

Joanna Levy, 312 N. Bernice
Ct., Round Lake, IL 60073,
(847)409-1144.

Aaron Levy, 312 N. Bernice
Ct., Round Lake, IL 60073,
(847)401-1109.

STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the un-
dersigned intend(s) to con-
duct the above named busi-
ness from the location(s) indi-
cated and that the true and le-
gal full name(s) of the per-
son(s) owning, conducting
or transacting the business
is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Joanna Levy

/s/ Aaron Levy

July 27, 2005

The foregoing instrument
was acknowledged before me
by the person(s) intending to
conduct the business this
27th day of July 2005:

OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Virginia Dunn-Mulligan

Notary Public

Received: Aug. 5, 2005

Willard R. Helander

Lake County Clerk

0812B-7413-RL

Aug. 12, 19, 26, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS:

GT Sealcoating & Repairs

NATURE/PURPOSE:

Sealcoating & minor driveway
repairs

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS- ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:

37249 Fairview Ln., Lake Vil-
la, IL 60046, (847)871-7041.

NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS

George, Tawnya Osorio,
37249 Fairview Ln., Lake Vil-
la, IL 60046, (847)871-7041.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

WARREN TOWNSHIP HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received at the office of Town Clerk at 17801 West Washington Street, Gurnee, Illinois 60031 until 10:00 o'clock A.M., Tuesday, September 6, 2005 for furnishing the following equipment:

One (1) 2005 Dinkmar Leaf Master Vacuum Machine with optional trade-in

Proposals shall be made on forms furnished by the Township Highway Commissioner, and shall be addressed in a sealed envelope to: Warren Township Highway Department, c/o Margaret Keenan-Denniston, Town Clerk, and shall be marked "EQUIPMENT PROPOSAL". Letting of Monday September 6, 2005 Warren Township.

Further information regarding the letting may be obtained by contacting the Highway Commissioner at (847) 244-1101, ext. 301.

The Township in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that the contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder without discrimination, on the grounds of Race, color, or national origin.

The awarding authority reserves the right to waive technicalities and to reject any or all Proposals as provided in article 102.08 of the "Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction," prepared by the Department of Transportation.

By Order of
/s/ Gerald E. Rudd
Warren Township
Highway Commissioner
0826D-7424-GP
August 26, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF WILL) SS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

JONATHAN L. MAYFIELD) Case No. 05 D 678
Plaintiff)
VS)
Mara Beth Inja Kenyon)
Defendant)

SUMMONS

ILLINOIS MARRIAGE AND DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE
ACT

To each Defendant:

You are summoned and required to file an answer to the complaint in this case, a copy of which is hereto attached, or otherwise file your appearance in the office of the Clerk of this court, 14 West Jefferson Street, Joliet, Illinois, within 30 days after service of this summons, not counting the day of service. IF YOU FAIL TO DO SO, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT A DISSOLUTION ACTION STAY IS IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT UPON SERVICE OF THIS SUMMONS. THE CONDITIONS OF THE STAY ARE SET FORTH ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS SUMMONS, AND ARE APPLICABLE TO THE PARTIES AS SET FORTH IN THE STATUTE.

To the Officer:

This summons must be returned by the Officer or other person to whom it was given for service, with endorsement of service and fees, if any, immediately after service. If service cannot be made, this summons shall be returned so endorsed.

THIS SUMMONS CANNOT BE SERVED LATER THAN 30 DAYS AFTER ITS DATE.

WITNESS, Apr. 25, 2005
/s/ Pamela J. McGuire
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Twelfth Judicial Circuit

Jonathan L. Mayfield
Plaintiff
862 W. Main St.
Address
Braidwood, IL 60408
City
(815)458-6910
Telephone

0819C-7417-GL
August 19, 26, 2005
September 2, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
ROUND LAKE HIGH SCHOOL THEATER
AIR CONDENSING UNIT REPLACEMENT

The Board of Education of Round Lake School District #116 is seeking bids from qualified contractors to provide a quotation for removal and installation of a rooftop air conditioning system @ the Round Lake High School Theater. **A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the Round Lake High School Theater, 800 High School Dr., Round Lake, IL, on Wednesday, August 31 @ 9:00 a.m.** Complete specifications and conditions can be obtained from Walter J. Korpan, Chief Financial Officer, between the hours 7:45 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. at the District Office, 316 S. Rosedale Ct., Round Lake, IL. Sealed bids will be accepted until, **Tuesday, September 6, 2005 @ 9:00 a.m.** at which time all bids will be opened and tabulated. No faxed bids will be accepted.

Board of Education
Hal Davis, Secretary

0826D-7425-RL
August 26, 2005

LEGAL NOTICE

Availability of Draft Finding of No Significant Impact
Round Lake Drain Naturalized Water Quality Improvement
Project

To all interested parties, this is notification that the draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), Environmental Assessment (EA), and associated documentation for the proposed Round Lake Drain Naturalized Water Quality Improvement Project, are available for review and comment. This project is necessary to comply with a Consent Decree Order from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) to enhance water quality and natural resources. The U.S. EPA is proposing to grant funds for project construction. Congress has designated this project for partial funding (\$482,100) through a Special Appropriation grant. The sponsor of this project, the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission, has applied for that Federal money from the U.S. EPA. As part of the grant application process, the U.S. EPA is submitting the draft FONSI, EA, and associated documentation for public comment, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The draft FONSI states that the proposed project's implementation will not significantly impact the immediate environment or have an adverse effect on historic properties located within the project area. The U.S. EPA's draft FONSI is based on the agency's review of the EA, which was prepared by the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission. The draft FONSI and EA can be reviewed at the following location:

Lake County Stormwater Management Commission
333 Peterson Road
Libertyville, Illinois 60048

Comments on the draft FONSI will be accepted from the public from Monday, September 5, 2005 through Wednesday, October 5, 2005. Please submit your comments to:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Attention: Kathleen Kowal, Mail Code: B-19J
77 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604

At the close of the public comment period, the U.S. EPA will review any comments received and determine whether any modifications to the proposed project might be warranted. If no substantive comments are received, the draft FONSI will become final as is. Once the NEPA process has been completed, the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission can proceed with the U.S. EPA grant application process. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Kowal at (312)353-5206.

0826D-7428-RL
August 26, 2005
September 2, 2005

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Early Voting for the Beach Park Fire Protection District Special Election will commence on the first day the new law becomes effective. If the Governor signs the bill before August 22, 2005, voting commences August 22. Should the Governor not sign the bill, it becomes law on August 24, 2005, and early voting commences that day and concludes September 8, 2005.

Early voting will be held at the following locations:

All Residence of the Beach Park Fire Protection District may vote at the County Clerk's office:
County Clerk's Office Monday-Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM
18 N. County St. Sat., Sun., and Holidays 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Waukegan, Illinois

Residence of the Beach Park Fire Protection District that reside in Benton Township may vote at:
Benton Township Monday-Thursday 7:30AM - 12:00PM & 1:00PM - 4:00PM
40023 N. Green Bay Road Friday 7:30AM - 1:00PM
Beach Park, Illinois

Voters are required to present a valid Illinois driver's license, an Illinois identification card issued by the Secretary of State, or another government-issued identification document containing their photograph, name and address.

Dated: August 15, 2005

Willard R. Helander

Lake County Clerk

0819C-7416-WT
August 19, 26, 2005
September 2, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS:
Good For Nuthin Productions
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Record Label
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
2615 Northfield Ave., Unit B,
Waukegan, IL 60085,
(224)381-2637.
NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS
William Rowell, 2615 North-
field Ave., Unit B, Waukegan,
IL 60085, (224)381-2637.
STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.
/s/ William Rowell
August 5, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 5th day of August, 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Yarimar Santos
Notary Public
Received: August 5, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0812B-7414-GP
Aug. 12, 19, 26, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME WITHDRAWAL
OF OWNER(S) OR
CANCELLATION

NAME OF BUSINESS:
Village Vision
ORIGINAL DATE FILED:
2/21/2001
STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the person(s) listed below has/have ceased doing business under the assumed name or has/have no further connection or financial interest in said business. Withdrawal shall be effective August 15, 2005.

Elizabeth Dziuba-Bentancur
1713 Margareet Court
Lakemoor, ILL. 60051
(815)385-0520
BUSINESS ADDRESS:
101 Center St.
Grayslake, IL 60030
(847) 548-2770.

/s/Elizabeth Dziuba Bentancur
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) withdrawing from the business this 15th day of August, 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Christina J. Hom
Notary Public
Received: August 15, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0819C-7420-GL
Aug. 19, 26, 2005
Sept. 2, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS:
Accord Management Group
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Real Estate Management
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
76 Burnette Dr., Antioch, IL,
60002. (847)395-2197.
P.O. Box 4251, Antioch, IL,
60002. (847)395-2197.
NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS
Deborah Wichers, 76 Bur-
nette Dr., Antioch, IL 60002,
(847)395-2197.
STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.
/s/ Deborah Wichers
August 16, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 16th day of August 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Laboni Ashana
Notary Public
Received: August 16, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0819C-7422-AN
Aug. 19, 26, 2005
September 2, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS:
Exelencia Transportation
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Transportation
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
804 Cummings, Waukegan,
IL 60085, (224)715-3894.
NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS
Jose R. Cardona, 804 Cum-
mings, Waukegan, IL 60085,
(224)715-3894.
STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.
/s/ Jose R. Cardona
August 17, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 17th day of August 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Christina J. Hom
Notary Public
Received: August 17, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0826D-7423-GP
Aug. 26, 2005
September 2, 9, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS:
BS Specialties
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Sales & Distribution of Prod-
ucts and Services
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
301 W. Pineview Dr., Round
Lake, IL 60073-3339,
(847)546-6671.
NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS
William H. Stafford, 301 W.
Pineview Dr., Round Lake, IL,
60073, (847)546-6671.
STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.
/s/ William H. Stafford
August 22, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 22nd day of August 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Christina J. Hom
Notary Public
Received: August 22, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0826D-7426-RL
Aug. 26, 2005
September 2, 9, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS:
Gutter Guy
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Install gutters
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
26288 W. Blackhawk, Ingle-
side, IL 60041, (847)587-
8860.
NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS
William Ronsman, 26288
Blackhawk, Ingle, IL,
60041, (847)587-8860.
STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.
/s/ William Ronsman
August 3, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 3rd day of August 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Sharon L. Corn
Notary Public
Received: Aug. 3, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0812B-7412-FL
Aug. 12, 19, 26, 2005

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application**

NAME OF BUSINESS:
Supreme Wholesaler
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Sell merchandise (making of electronic products).
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANSACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
653 Windsor Dr., Fox Lake, IL. 60020, (847)668-7035.
NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS
Ryan Conli, 653 Windsor Dr., Fox Lake, IL. 60020, (847)668-7035.

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This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Ryan Conli
July 7, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 7th day of July 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/ Adriana Lomeli
Notary Public
Received: Aug. 8, 2005
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Suzanne Anderson, 102 Valley View Dr., Lakemoor, IL. 60051, (815)363-4721.
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/s/ Suzanne Anderson

August 22, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 22nd day of August 2005.

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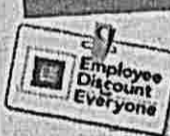
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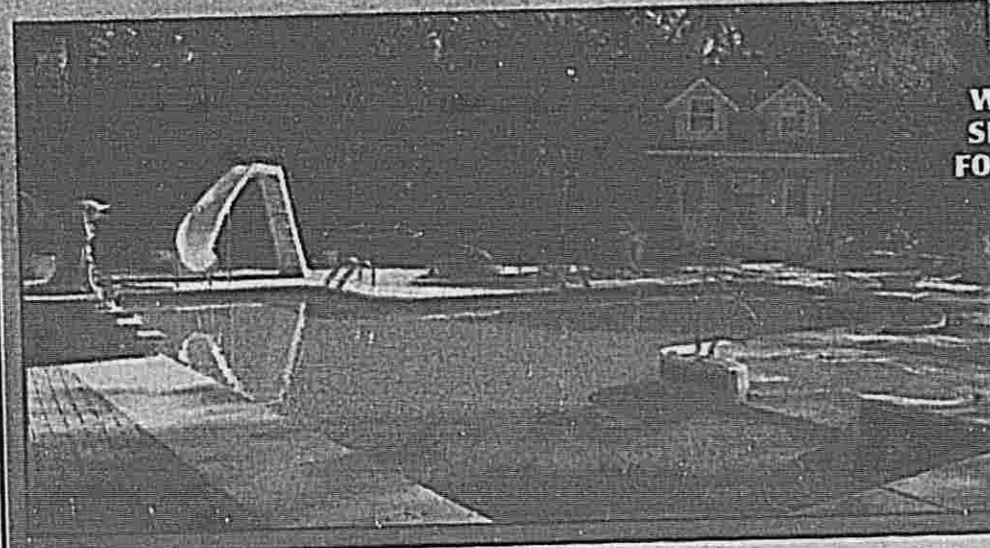
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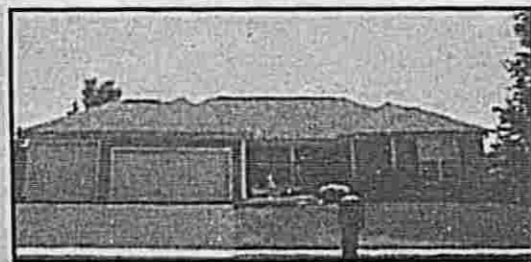


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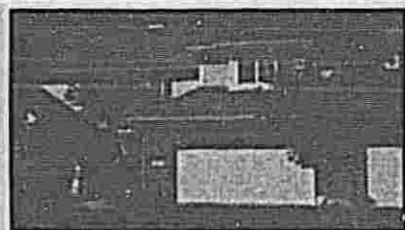


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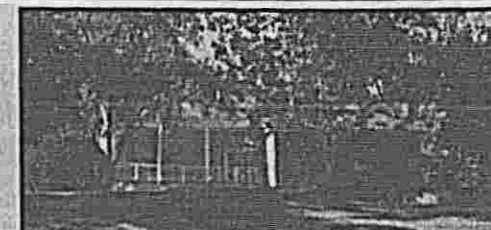


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Resolve title defects impeding Real Estate closing

Nothing turns the happy occasion of a real estate closing into a nightmare faster than an unresolved defect in the title to the property - or even worse, an unanticipated defect that shows up at the last minute.

"While the job of resolving title defects usually rests with the title company, an experienced real estate lawyer can help resolve problems with title as quickly and efficiently as possible," says Aurora Austriaco, president of the 1,500-member Illinois Real Estate Lawyers Association (IRELA).

"Most buyers don't really understand title commitments or loan documents," she states. "In most cases, only a lawyer can be counted on to point out issues that a buyer needs to be concerned about."

Austriaco, who is of counsel at Peck, Bloom, Austriaco & Mitchell, LLC, lists some of the most common issues affecting title than can be resolved beforehand through planning and communication.

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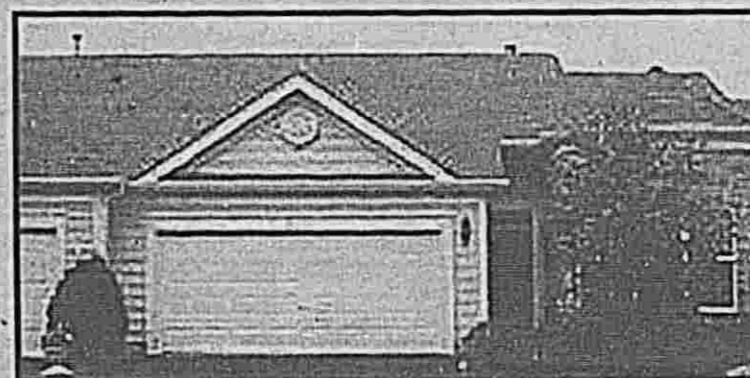


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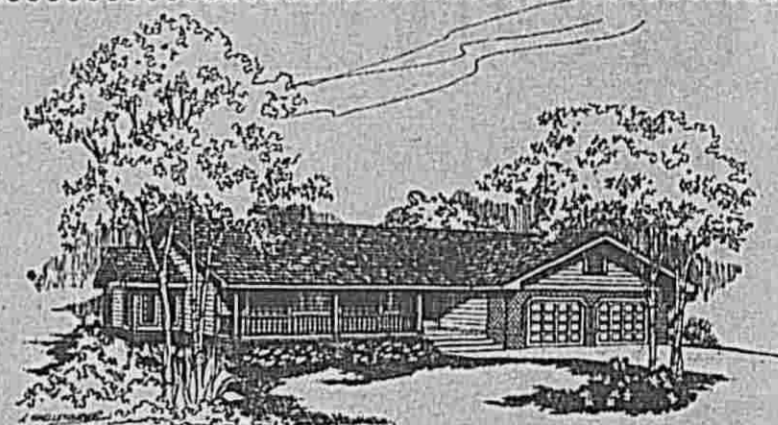
Little left to do here. New kitchen w/ceramic tile & appliances. Brand new bathroom. Huge master bdrm/4th bdrm (no closet). Super size 2.5 car garage - rm for 3rd heated/220v/extra deep. Wooded double lot near school. (5119)

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parents can easily check on small children. Each has generous closet space and a view window. Another full, skylit bathroom, with linen storage, is in the hallway.

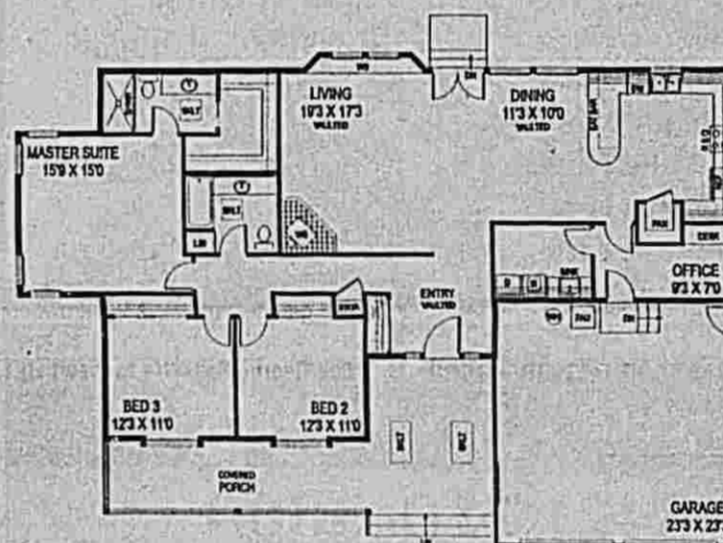
The living room and dining room, both with vaulted ceilings, occupy the center of the floor plan. The living room has a built-in corner wood stove to keep you and your guests nice and cozy as you enjoy good company and discuss the events of the day. The dining room is located adjacent to the kitchen, a fact that is sure to please the cook in the family. The large, walk-in kitchen features a step-in

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The remainder of this design incorporates a small home office, with a built-in desk, and a handy utility room located near the door to the two-car garage. This permits soiled shoes and clothing to be dropped off here before entering the main part of the home. Groceries can be carried directly into the kitchen from the car.

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Right-sizing - an art in home construction

It seems as though Americans' preferences in home size is headed in every direction at once; statistics from the National Assn. of Home Builders say that we're looking to move into homes another third larger than the homes we're leaving - 738 square feet larger, compared to homes built 35 years ago.

Meanwhile, many of us are downsizing, for any of a variety of reasons. According to a study by the National Assn. of Realtors, Joe Homebuyer's new place is 18 percent larger - but 29 percent of those selling homes went on to something smaller instead.

Kennedy Homes, as it has throughout its 40-plus year history, sees home seekers headed in both directions, can offer both parties good news.

"Our homes range from roughly 2,000 to 3,500 square feet, so there's something for everyone," said Bill Gronow, a Kennedy operating partner. "Bedrooms range from three to size, depending on the plan and what the home buyer does with the space. And there's also the variety of locations to consider, both in price and convenience."

"Elsewhere in the market, empty nesters

may want, or need, to move down to a home of about 1,500 square feet," he explained. "Furniture, keepsakes, hobbies - it's a lot to fit into a smaller home after a generation of living larger. However, for what they would pay for that 1,500- or 1,600-square-foot home, they can purchase a home of 2,000 square feet, perhaps more, depending on the community."

At the other end of the equation, buyers who might otherwise need more space than they can afford will find a home of 3,000-square feet for what they would pay for 2,200 to 2,500 square feet elsewhere. "Downsizing or upsizing - no matter which way they're headed, we can offer home shoppers a bigger home for a smaller price," said Gronow.

But it's not just about space; it's also about what's in the home. Kennedy has created a 8,000-square-foot Design Center in East Dundee where buyers may select nearly every aspect of their new home, from brick or siding styles to faucets and carpeting, "so the home buyers get what they want in their new home, and conversely - and also more importantly - they don't pay for what they don't need."

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Therefore, a title company will insure over the exceptions regarding assessments and right of first refusal as long as the seller provides it with a paid assessment letter stating that all dues and assessments are current, and a letter from the association waiving its right of first refusal to purchase the unit being sold.

Setback line violations. Some properties have building setback lines that define where a building should be relative to the lot line. Houses built beyond the setback line are in violation of municipal codes.

Most title companies look into the nature of the violation, how long it has existed (violations become less of an insurance risk over time), whether neighboring houses are built the same way (making it problematic to remove violations), and its extent.

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Aurora Austriaco
President

Equipped with more information, a lawyer can negotiate more effectively with the title company for increased coverage on the client's title policy.

Property line encroachments. Encroachments onto the subject property are not insurable since they become automatic claims to the title company by the insured.



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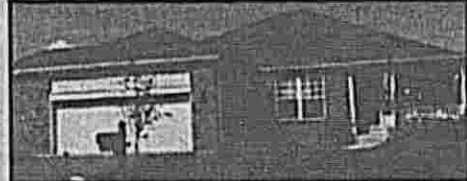
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New trends in home spaces

Families are doing more and more entertaining at home, continuing the "nesting" trend. Therefore, builders are offering houses that feature a greater percentage of interior area rather than outdoor acreage — the latest in home-building trends. As such, newer rooms are cropping up as must-have spaces. Here's a rundown on some other rooms to consider for your floorplan.

Mudrooms and Laundry Rooms — Once stashed away in the basement or another dark corner, these rooms are now getting updated and offer more flow into other living areas. More than ever, laundry rooms are being placed on the main level of the house — off a kitchen or bathroom for easy plumbing hookup. This allows families whose dirty laundry might pile up faster than dirty dishes to easily keep it manageable and contained in one area rather than in piles in the bedrooms. Organizational shelving, closets and cabinetry keep laundry/mudrooms in order and can also hide cleaning products and hampers. For those who must have a laundry area on the basement level, chutes installed throughout the house that connect to the basement eliminate the need to carry baskets of clothes downstairs for washing.

Home Theaters — Now that the surround-sound systems and projection television or plasma television screens have become much more affordable, many people are opting to include a home theater in their design scheme. It offers the convenience of enjoying movies at home in an intimate space that is convenient for you. A home theater room allows for unique social opportunities as well — you can invite friends and family over for a "movie night," or use it to occupy the kids when the weather isn't ideal for outdoor activities.

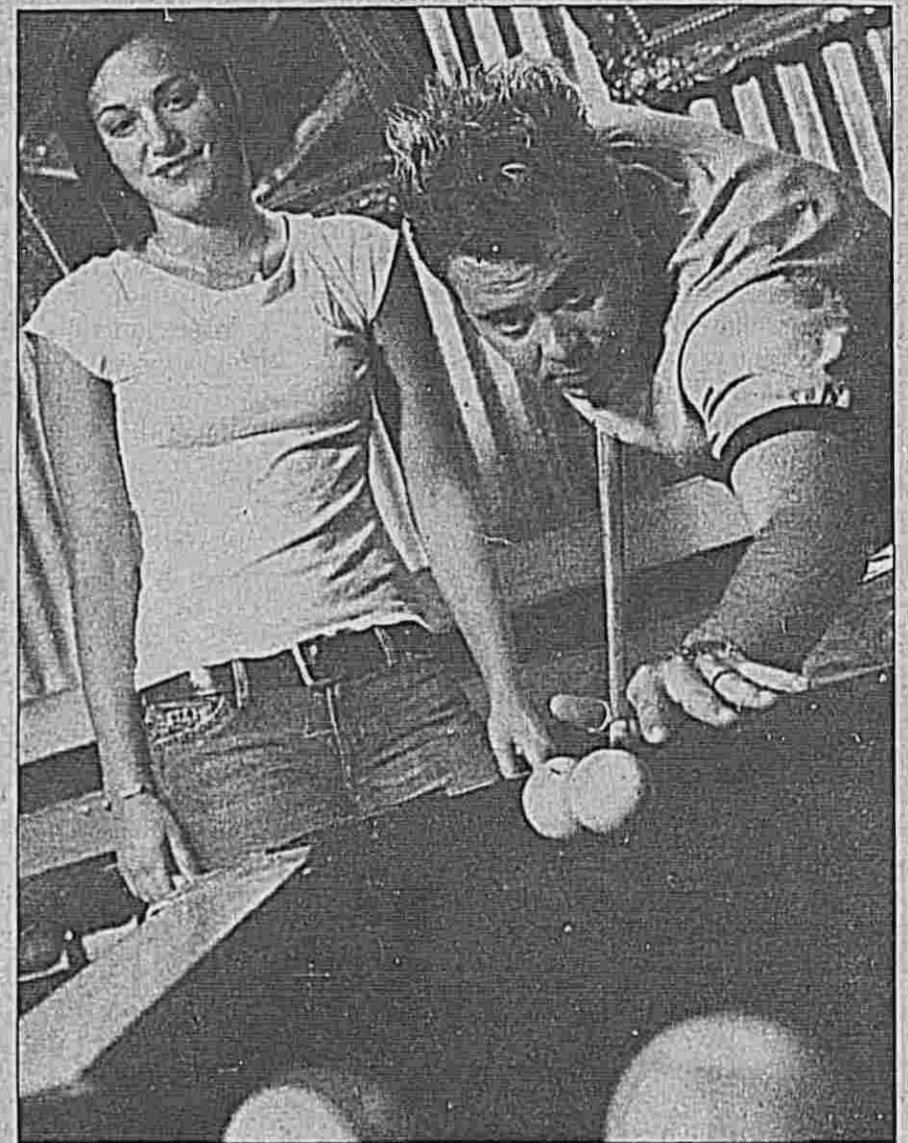
Billiard/Recreation Rooms — Many people like the idea of a room to house all of their "toys." From pool tables to dart boards to chess sets, game rooms offer the ideal place for

activities. They also offer the adults a distinct space where they can socialize and entertain guests away from the children. Game rooms can also be designed around the younger set, to include video game hubs, toys and a television. Again, this keeps the kids' toys contained to one area rather than strewn all around the house.



• **Outdoor Rooms** — From the former "Florida Rooms" to greenhouses to outdoor kitchens, homeowners are bringing the indoors outside. Perfect for areas with a moderate climate, these rooms can be fully furnished spaces that take design hues and styles from the great outdoors. Glass-enclosed greenhouses or solariums offer a retreat where you can enjoy nature without the hassle of insects and pests. Plus, this room can house foliage year-round for those who live where the seasons change dramatically. Outdoor kitchens and other living spaces provide an interesting living space for homeowners who love to entertain in the open air.

• **Great Rooms** — Living rooms and dining rooms have stepped aside to make way for the "great room." These oversized spaces are well known for their open layout and multipurpose sensibility. They're often rooms for family living — maximizing space to accommodate larger amounts of people. These rooms are often designed to be warm and inviting, and can easily benefit by including plush furniture in the space, and rich tones on the walls.


• **Master Suite** — Today's master bedrooms have been expanded to include more than just a sleeping and washing area. They're now being remodeled to imitate the luxuries of lavish hotels and vacation destinations, functioning as a secluded retreat. These suites can include anything from a wardrobe area to a private bathroom spa to a workout center to a reading nook, in addition to sleeping quarters.



Today's new-construction homes are larger and feature a variety of different rooms, including recreation and game rooms.

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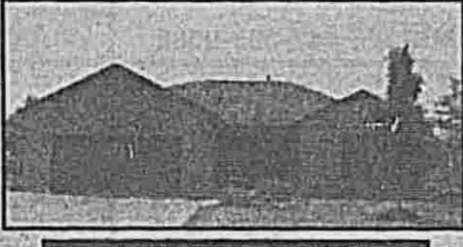
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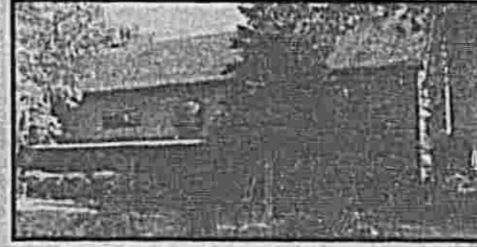
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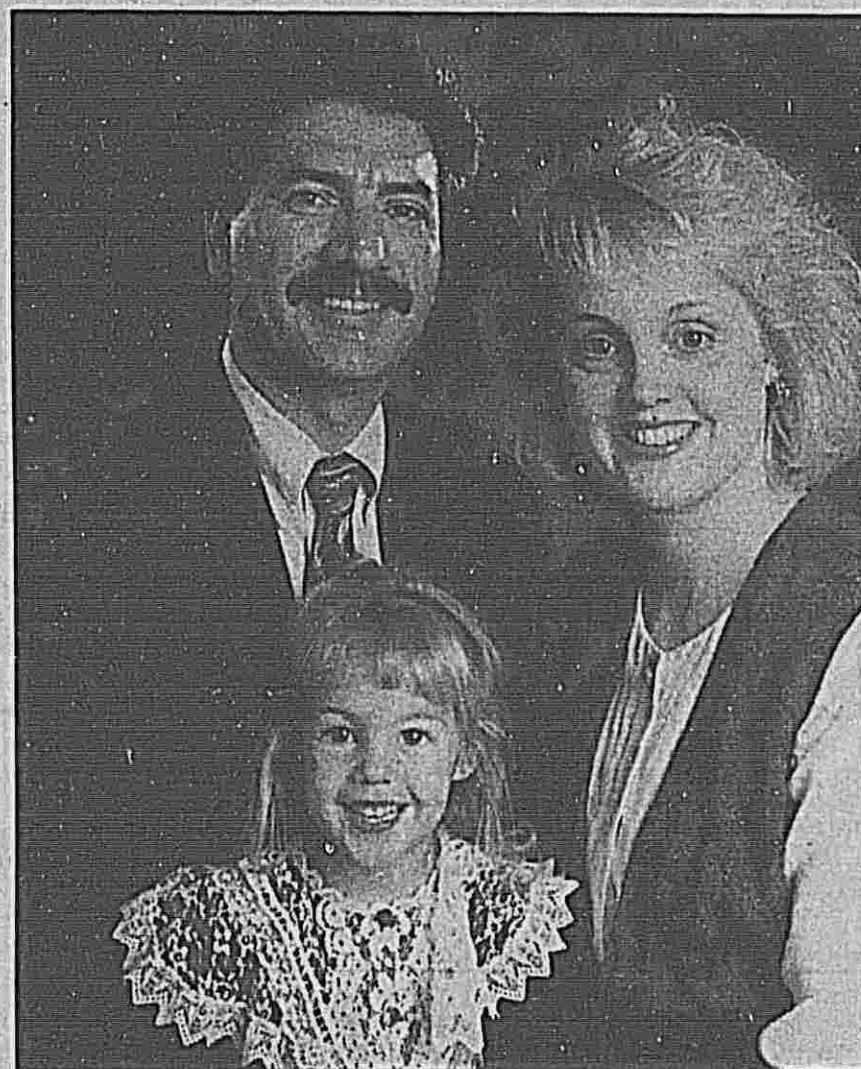
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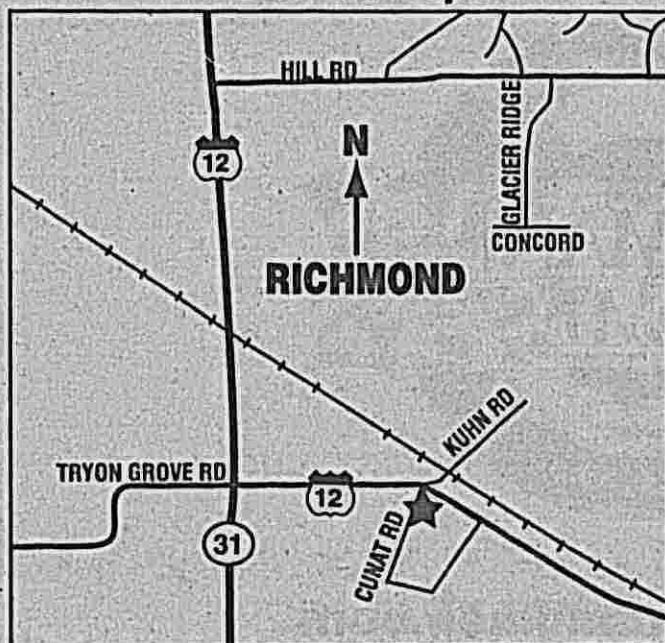
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24158 Bayview Dr., 210,000
26307 Grass Lake Road, 192,500
584 Ridgewood, 367,500
40265 Shady Lane Dr., 134,000
517 Maplewood Dr., 119,000
723 Tiffany Court, 146,000
22544 Lillian Pl., 400,000
80 Rotterdam Dr., 220,000
673 Garys Dr., 209,000
327 Oakwood Dr., 247,900
26078 Montrose, 310,000
561 Needlegrass Pkwy., 284,000
64 Van Dyke Dr., 253,900

FOX LAKE

556 Foxridge Dr., 177,000
17 Woodland, 183,000
7133 Concord, 92,500
34 Rushmore, 218,000
11 Atwater Parkway, 218,000
52 Oak Hill Colony, 80,500
57 Mariner Lane, 144,000
22 Ridgeland Ave., 113,500
130 Cora, 102,000
7311 Chevy Chase Ct., 102,000
35632 Sheridan Dr., 290,000
46-1 Nassau Colony, 41,500
44 Fairfax, 141,500
9 Holly Ave., 135,000
27-6 Jamaica Colony, 70,000
585 Windsor Dr., 146,900
33 Riverview, 165,000
478 Nassau Colony, 31,000
28 Lippincott Rd., 179,900
62 Eagle Point Rd., 388,000
62-8 Aspen Colony, 53,500
619 Windsor, 160,984

GRAYSLAKE

995 Ellsworth, 174,640
336 Stevens, 210,000
1590 Fairport Dr., 240,000

18619 Sterling Court, 157,000
32880 Stone Manor Dr., 485,500
214 Lexington Ln., 255,000
18835 Linden, 418,000
1379 Redridge, 188,000
1341 Locust, 239,500
244 Carters Grove, 277,500
33534 Lake Shore Dr., 108,000
1282 Chesterfield Ln., 300,000
1001 McKay Circle, 197,000
220 Staton Park Circle, 215,540
1058 Chadwick Dr., 157,000
294 Normandy Lane, 168,000
490 Buckingham, 192,500
997 Manchester Circle, 200,000
375 Banbury Lane, 346,500
1141 Williamsburg Circle, 420,000
17747 Dartmoor, 325,000
1668 Belle Haven Dr., 289,000
34044 Wooded Glen, 390,000
291 Westerfield Place, 210,000
551 Colton Rd., 215,000
1100 Blackburn, 244,250
861 Catherine Ct., 160,000
933 Manchester Circle, 158,500
370 Slusser, 181,000
674 Quail Creek Dr., 134,000
562 Bluestem, 343,000
528 Pheasant Court, 138,000
18565 Aspen Ct., 333,000
33357 U.S. Highway 45, 149,600
770 Cherry Creek Dr., 173,000
882 Jeanne Court, 370,000
34030 Circle Dr., 210,000
18539 Country Lane, 169,900
478 Signal, 316,358
134 Bluff Ave., 147,500
1413 Doolittle Lane, 165,000
833 Crossland Dr., 194,000
1121 Manchester Circle, 193,000

GURNEE

17882 Elsbury, 255,000
7243 Dada Dr., 372,000
34420 Old Walnut Circle, 289,900
823 Adderly Ln., 344,000

1307 Almaden Lane, 324,000
18137 Banbury Dr., 280,000
1060 Boulevard, 252,5000
2205 Sanctuary Ct., 450,000
912 Abingdon, 115,000
367 Briarwood Court, 256,000
1833 Princeton Court, 256,000
1833 Princeton Court, 178,000
5744 Delaware Ave., 164,500
7386 Lenox Ln., 270,000
6120 Indian Trail, 325,000
4809 Providence Rd., 423,000
5995 Murfield Dr., 540,000
1063 Cheswick Dr., 415,000
5862 Constitution Ave., 314,500
1495 Savannah Ct., 166,500
17432 Chestnut Ln., 158,000
4026 Blackstone, 355,000
1873 Canterbury, 170,000
7818 Nursery Dr., 360,000
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5071 Adele, 320,000
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18256 Old Hickory Ct., 336,000
7458 Inglenook, 259,000
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3430 Glen Flora, 228,500
5067 Sedona Court, 510,000
0 Cheyenne, 95,600
37235 Grandwood, 198,000

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386 Holiday, 184,900
266 Jubilee Court, 277,500
84 Misty Hill Lane, 238,000
14 Big Horn, 189,322
102 Centennial Dr., 207,000
474 Holiday Lane, 170,000
255 Holiday Lane, 147,000
251 Hunters Way Lane, 227,500
30 Big Horn, 192,255
26 Big Horn, 174,908
381 Patriot Dr., 193,000
503 Emerson, 227,000

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360 Patriot, 212,872
107 Elk, 220,000
105 Brittany, 200,000
329 Deer Lake Dr., 200,000
174 Stillwater, 208,000
162 Holiday Lane, 176,000

ISLAND LAKE

4108 Hale Lane, 238,500
3622 Linden Dr., 154,000
910 Knightsbridge, 200,000
3411 Southport Dr., 159,650
3511 Greenleaf, 185,000
856 Saratoga Circle, 171,000
3286 Medford, 210,000
3609 Eastway Dr., 270,000
3612 Newport, 195,000
676 Pleasant Place, 155,500
4638 Southampton, 233,000
422 Newport, 175,000
1005 Knightsbridge Dr., 195,000
219 Hillside Dr., 227,000
321 Newbury Dr., 142,000
3434 Southport Dr., 158,500
953 Plymouth, 188,000
3019 Max Court, 150,000
412 Briar Rd., 160,000
319 David Ct., 134,100
1100 Wembley Dr., 205,000
996 Lexington Ln., 180,000
3200 Debra, 163,500
4211 Hale Lane, 231,000
3512 Burr Oak, 415,000

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21764 Jupiter Court, 720,000
28541 Seminole Ct., 800,000
28631 Spyglass Court, 135,000
21863 Bayhill Ct., 522,000
28924 Sky Crest Dr., 785,050

LAKEVILLE

Lt. 8 Adams St., 286,809
655 McKinley Ave., 249,000
39122 Route 59, 166,500
1320 Baxter Lane, 149,900
1217 Sun Lake Court, 244,250
701 Savanna Springs, 259,000
807 Preston Court, 270,500
1920 Hardwood Path, 285,000
663 Northwind Lane, 332,500

24055 Saxony, 235,000
217 Berkshire Dr., 325,000
37312 Hillside Dr., 247,000
2114 Millstone, 255,000
716 Park Ave., 284,250
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717 Sun Lake Rd., 278,000
24255 Alpine Ct., 330,000
37 Burnett, 223,700
25181 Warren, 270,000
624 Pine View Pass, 169,900
636 Pineview Pass, 270,000
7 Shoshoni Trail, 420,000
Lot 3 Adams St., 303,140
38799 Cedar Valley Dr., 331,000
1238 Ridgewood Ln., 395,468
1267 Beverly Dr., 388,051
18983 Woodale Trail, 512,000
1204 Beverly Dr., 395,956
1637 Elderberry Ln., 290,000
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1684 Cedar Glen Dr., 375,000
1146 Furlong, 525,000
111 Winchester, 157,500
Lot 16 Sunnyside Ave., 270,000
712 Kenwood, 370,000
5661 River Park Dr., 687,000

818 Golf, 360,000
1509 Loatonia Ct., 306,750
1081 Oak Spring Lane, 351,000
161 Coolidge, 245,000
500 Hemlock Lane, 435,000
618 Milwaukee Ave., 150,000
713 Rockland Rd., 230,000
805 Paddock Lane, 506,000
4551 Westchester Lane, 439,000

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2315 Springhill Lane, 202,000
204 Crooked Lake Lane, 265,000
2450 Mallard Dr., 230,000
111 Hickory, 152,750
2109 Woodlane, 216,000
206 Hazelwood Dr., 190,000
140 Rose Tree, 220,000
406 Pheasant Ridge, 281,000
2308 Deerpath, 199,500
856 Jefferson, 215,000
215 Jasmine Circle, 215,100
1890 Ivy Circle, 270,000
103 Hawthorne, 215,000
2659 Franklin Ct., 279,900
105 Lindenhurst, 175,000
2985 Falling Waters Lane, 130,000
827 Blue Spruce Ct., 200,000
2938 Falling Waters Lane, 195,900
212 Thrush Circle, 355,000
215 Jasmine, 215,100
185 Fox Tail, 232,000
393 Crooked Lake, 250,000
447 Red Rock, 250,000
506 Waterford, 221,000

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64 Lincoln, 242,000
60 Sylvan, 255,000
221 Oak Dale Ave., 255,000
560 Woodcrest, 162,500
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25915 Midlothian Rd., 430,000
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20919 Lakeview Parkway, 779,000
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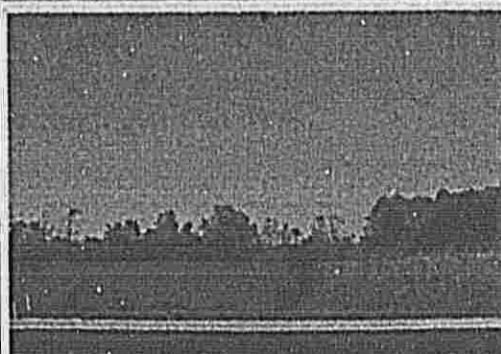
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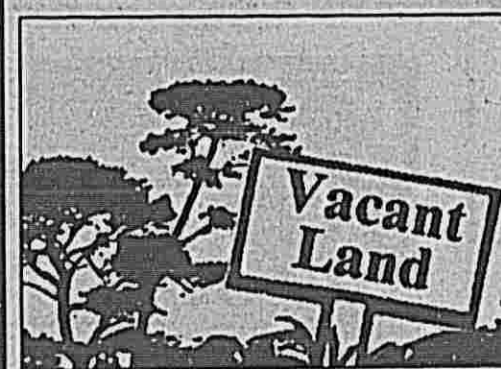
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Stay cool, even without air conditioning

Summer is in full swing with temperatures breaking records in the 90's! But, unfortunately, summer isn't so much fun for you. You aren't one of the lucky ones with air conditioning. Don't let that make your summer a sweaty mess. Follow some of these tips and you'll see that you can stay cool, even when the temperature is rising.

1. Drink plenty of liquids, even if you aren't thirsty. Avoid alcoholic drinks, as they can make you dehydrated.

2. Dress in lightweight, light-colored and loose-fitting clothing. Favor clothing made of

fabrics like cotton, silk or linen. They will let your skin breathe, especially when they are not tight on your body. Flowing shirts, skirts, dresses and pants made of natural fibers will feel more comfortable than man-made fibers like polyester, which can be sticky in the heat.

3. Keep the shades drawn in your house and the lights off. It will keep the temperature in your home cooler.

4. Stick with light meals that will keep you cool. You should especially favor fruits and vegetables, but make sure you eat the right ones. Varieties specifically known for their cooling properties include sweet fruits like melons,

cherries or grapes and vegetables like asparagus, cucumbers, broccoli and zucchini. These particular foods are either sweet or bitter, and are astringent and full of water, which makes them cooling. Reduce your consumption of vegetables with heating properties such as tomatoes, hot peppers, radishes, beans, onions, garlic and spinach.

5. If you don't have air conditioning, go somewhere that does! See the latest release at the movie theater. Shop for flip-flops at the mall. Read a novel at the library, or eat a salad and ice cream at your favorite air-conditioned restaurant.

6. Install ceiling and floor fans in each room. They will help circulate air and keep your home cool.

7. Make your own air conditioning! Fill a bowl with ice and place it in front of a fan. Or, make an icy neck wrap: Place ice cubes in your hand or on a wet face towel and rub it on the back of your neck.

8. Take frequent baths and showers using tepid water. That water temperature will help cool you off.

9. Sleep comfortably. Leave the windows open. Dress in shorts and T-shirts. Swap the comforter and blanket for a top sheet.



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How to 're-do' your kitchen cabinets without breaking the bank

Your cabinets are the focal point of your kitchen. They set the style and create the mood. When you want to update that style or are just ready for a "new look," you have two choices — remodeling or refinishing.

According to Remodeling Magazine, the average cost to remodel an upscale kitchen

is over \$68,000. For a midrange job the average cost is roughly \$43,000. For most people, these costs are too high and discouraging.

However, there is a more cost-effective method according to Eric Chaimberg of Swing Paints, "If your kitchen is in good condition, simply transform it by refinishing your cabinets and changing the countertops. This

is the most economical solution for anyone looking for an updated look. Plus, refinishing also means a minimal disruption to your daily life with less mess and no damage to your walls and floors.

Twenty years ago, if you wanted a professionally stained finish for your cabinets, you either had to be a professional yourself or look to hire one. Today there are finishing gels that even a novice do-it-yourselfer can easily apply with outstanding results. There is no mixing needed, no matching, just straight out of the can.

Chaimberg recommends Circa 1850 Stain'n Varnish, a unique product that combines the penetration of a wood stain with the protective qualities of a hand rubbed varnish - all in one easy to use gel.

"You no longer have to stain your wood, wait till it dries, then apply the finish," said Chaimberg. "You can now do both in one quick and easy step. The first coat is simply wiped on with a rag. There's no need to sand, simply let it dry 12-24 hours."

Applying additional hand-rubbed coats will deepen the colour and add more protection, added Chaimberg. "Or you can use Circa 1850 Antique Paste Varnish as the second coat to get the added protection without changing the colour."

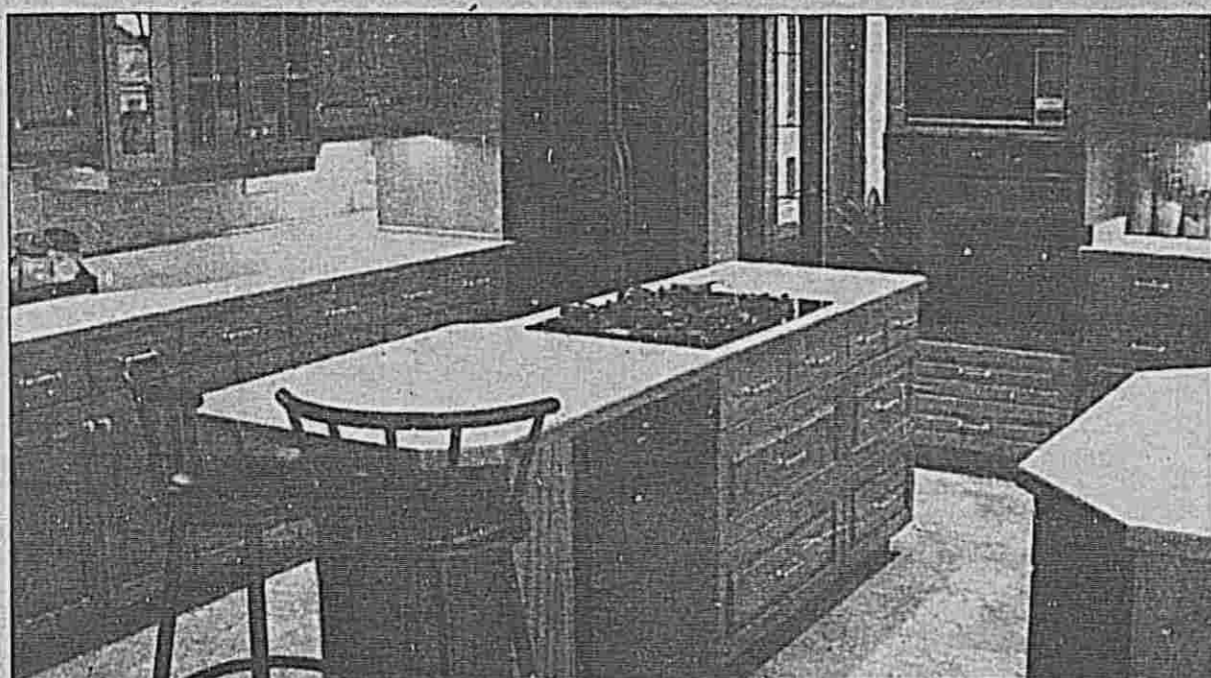
Because Circa 1850 Stain'n Varnish is a gel, it can be applied to any type of cabinet surface: wood, plastic, metal, masonite, compos-

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Swing Paints

ite, etc. In fact, it is the best way to give non-wood surfaces, such as embossed composite doors, the look of real wood.

Besides ease of use and a consistent finish, Circa 1850 Stain'n Varnish can also offer a new colour dimension to the finishing spectrum with grain highlighting. "You can take any kind of wood - oak, cherry, whatever - and finish it in forest green, emerald and steel blue or even black cherry," added Chaimberg. "That's something you just can't do with anything else. And because it is transparent, a thin coat of a contrasting colour over an existing colour can be used to give wood an antique, distressed, or faux-finish." For more information or tips on finishing your cabinets visit www.circa1850.com.



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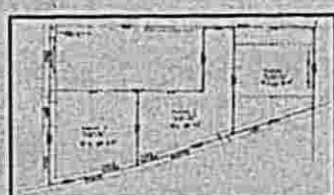
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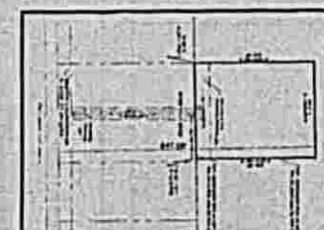
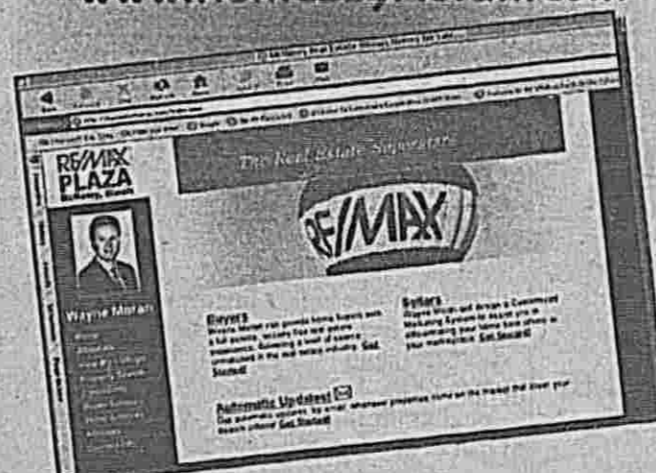
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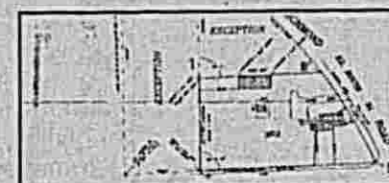
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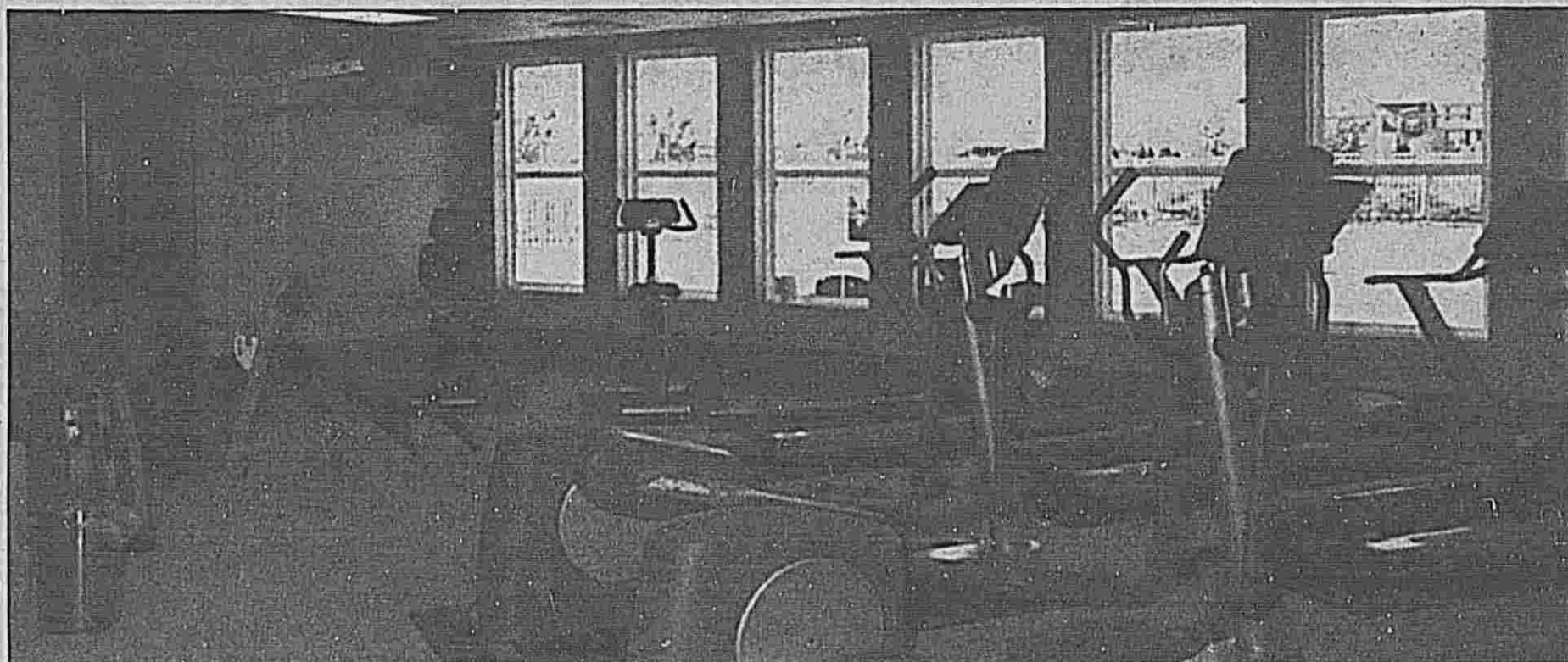
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Home details			
LR:	17X15	BR:	12X12
DR:	12X10	EAT:	12X12
KIT:	12X12	Rooms:	7
MB:	14X12	Baths:	2
BR2:	13X12	Built:	1990

Estimated taxes: \$3,762

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Home details			
LR:	16X12	BR:	12X13
DR:	12X11	BR2:	11X10
KIT:	10X13	FP:	1
FR:	28X13	Rooms:	8
MB:	15X13	Baths:	2.1
BR2:	11X10	Built:	1997

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Home details			
LR:	37X16	BR:	15X14
DR:	15X15	EAT:	15X15
KIT:	16X18	FP:	2
FR:	30X40	Rooms:	9
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BR3:	16X13		

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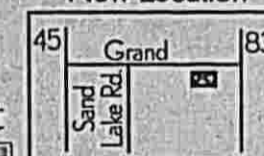
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ILCA Landscaping tells us what to do in August

Given the dry spring (fourth driest in history) and very dry summer, lawn restoration will most likely be in vogue this fall. Mid-August through mid-September is the ideal time to seed new lawns or renovate existing turf. The drought also means one needs to watch and control insects that may damage one's lawn.

Watch for two common lawn pests: Aphids and Grubs

Aphids

Aphids are tiny green insects that suck the grass blades and deposit toxic saliva that kill the plant's cells and can cause the turf to die. When a few aphids are active, the grass may yellow. As the aphid population grows, they cause the grass to turn a burnt orange color. Aphids have short, overlapping life cycles and produce many generations in one season.

Aphids are detected by running your hand over the outer edge of a suspected lawn area while the grass is wet from dew, rain or a sprinkler. If present, the harmless aphids will be visible on your hand.

The remedy for an invasion of aphids is an insecticide treatment from a licensed applicator that has the proper equipment and knowledge for safe and effective control.

Grubs

Each year in Illinois, the annual white grub is the most widespread and destructive turfgrass insect pest. Grubs are the larval stage of June beetles. After emerging from the soil in mid-July, the small 1/2 inch long beetles typically mate after 2-3 weeks and lay their eggs in damp soil with actively growing turfgrass. After 10-14 days, the larvae hatch and begin feeding on the turfgrass roots. This is when the damage to your lawn begins.

Annual mature white grub larvae vary in length from 3/8 of an inch to one inch. The larvae are "C"-shaped with 6 legs; white or grayish in color; have a brownish head and a dark posterior end.

Some of the symptoms of grub damage are a gradual thinning, yellowing or wilting of your turfgrass despite adequate moisture. Also, look for the appearance of scattered, irregular dead patches. Another symptom is the presence of burrowing animals (especially raccoons) going after grubs for dinner.

The detection of grubs is easy. Roll back the sod in suspected areas and count the grubs, which if present, will typically be on the surface of the soil or down about a half an inch. Turfgrass damaged by grubs, since they are feeding on the root system, will roll back "like a carpet". Apply a soil insecticide if there are more than three to four per square foot.

Turf Renovation

Renovate turf due to this summer's drought and then keep it moist at all times for seed

germination. When renovating existing turf:

- First, reduce thatch and compaction by core aerifying to supply a good base for seed germination.

- Apply seed, selecting a shade seed mix for partial sun areas.

- Lightly top dress with a pulverized soil/compost mix and keep it moist at all times.

Make sure that the soil/compost mix is truly mixed. Spreading a product like peat moss over the seeded area actually make it harder (water beads off of dry peat moss) for the water to reach the seeds.

- Encourage root development with a fertilize low in nitrogen (N) and high in phosphorous (p) and potash (K), for example 6-24-24.

- Do not apply broadleaf weed spray until the seeded area has been mowed three times. Accept the fact that you will get some weeds showing during this process. If the area has been sprayed for weeds, wait three to four weeks before seeding.

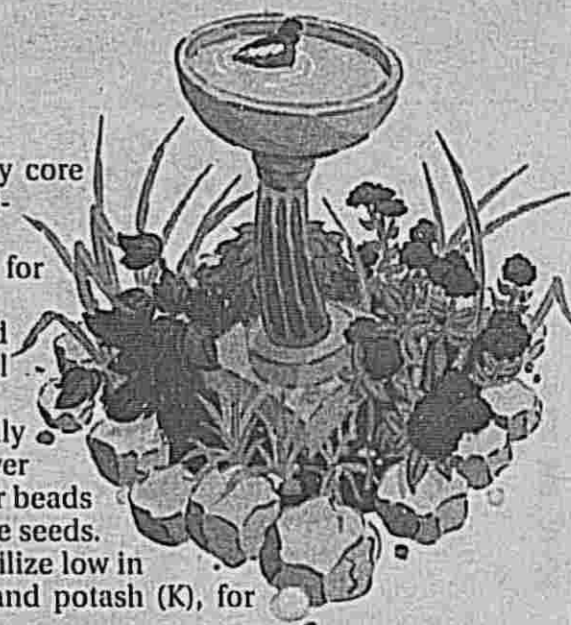
There can be no argument that a beautiful lawn, which helps to soften and reduce reflected light, is immediately pleasing to the eye and relaxing in its appearance. Lawns also help environmentally in many ways. Acting like a gigantic sponge, lawns absorb all types of airborne pollutants such as soot, dust and carbon dioxide, as well as noise.

Turf's high density and root mass stabilize surface soil, preventing erosion. Mowed turfgrasses are estimated to have shoot densities ranging from 30 million to greater than 8 billion shoots per acre. Turf grasses produce an enormous cooling effect and well kept lawns raise property values. Also, a 50-foot by 50-foot well-maintained grass area will create enough oxygen to meet the needs of a family of four every day.

At your fingertips:

ILCA landscaping hints are available at www.ilca.net. Click on Consumer Information. One can also check the base location and services of landscape contractors.

ILCA offers the free color brochures, "Your Landscape Begins With A Dream," for planning, budgeting and creating outdoor spaces and "Garden Centers Are 'Natural' Resources," with guidance in garden center selection. Included is a list of member landscape contractors and garden centers. Call Monday through Friday 630-472-2851, write ILCA, 2625 Butterfield Road, Suite 204W, Oak Brook, IL 60523 or e-mail lodell@ilca.net for print material.—(c) Copyright, 2005, Illinois Landscape Contractors Association



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Simple ways to redecorate your home

Give any room a 'facelift' without spending a fortune

Like many homeowners, you may think that you'll never find the budget or the time to turn your mundane living room, or bathroom with 30-year-old flooring into a functional and contemporary space that you love. Summer is the perfect time to complete projects around the house, but it can also be the busiest time of the year, since the kids aren't in school. Luckily, there are hundreds of quick, relatively inexpensive and simple ways to make a dramatic impact on any room in your home.

Dann Inman of Floor Decor Carpet One in Lindenhurst explains, "Many consumers think that redecorating their home will inevitably cost them thousands of dollars and take months to complete. At our store, we offer countless simple solutions that help our customers to change the whole look of a room with a minimal amount of effort and at a low cost."

Start at the bottom

New flooring can change the entire look and feel of a room. Soft carpeting will make a living room feel more comfortable and inviting, while choosing hardwood or natural-looking laminate flooring will add elegance to an entryway or dining room.

For a quick and easy change, Inman recommends adding a brightly colored or textured area rug on top of a hard surface. Area rugs are available in a range of prices and in different sizes and shapes to fit any space. Recently, there has been a trend towards less expensive area rugs that look remarkably like the high-priced styles. You can find a range of designs with an expensive hand-tufted wool appearance that are actually made of polypropylene fibers. This is a great option if you're trying to decorate within a budget.

Floor Decor Carpet One also carries the Good Housekeeping collection of carpeting, which is a great option for homeowners who don't want to spend a fortune, but also want to be sure that they're getting a high-quality product. This collection is available in a variety of styles and colors and more importantly, it has been tested for durability and performance by the Good Housekeeping Institute. Only products that meet Good Housekeeping's high standards are backed by the Good Housekeeping Seal.

If you prefer the look of a hard surface, you may want to choose laminate or vinyl over a more expensive hard surface. Inman explained that consumers can get the look of hardwood or ceramic tile, with vinyl or lami-

nate flooring, which is much more affordable and more durable. "Opting for laminate or vinyl flooring can save a consumer as much as \$10 per square foot!" Inman noted. "This cost savings is mainly because it is less time consuming and easier to install laminate or vinyl than hardwood or tile." Floor Decor Carpet One carries a new alternative to vinyl floor called Earthscapes that is extremely scratch and wear-resistant. Plus, the Earthscapes designs bear a striking resemblance to real ceramic tile and hardwood flooring.

Color & Lighting

Another quick and inexpensive way to give your room a "facelift" is to alter the colors and lighting. Are you plagued by boring white walls and nervous about making a dramatic change? Try painting one wall or just the ceiling with a rich, bold color, like cranberry, a warm gold tone, or a deep blue. Or give your room some dimension by alternating complementing colors on each wall. Simply adding color to one surface — which requires less time and much less paint — will give the room a whole new energy.

Another option is to give the room a sophisticated colonial look with wainscoting (the white or neutral colored board that usual-

ly comes about halfway up the wall). Whether your walls are already apple green, or you decide to paint all four of them a new color, wainscoting will break up the color in the space and create clean, modern elegance in the room. Wainscoting is easy to install and usually comes in pre-cut lengths and a variety of heights.

Lighting can control the ambiance and set the mood of the room, so you may need to try a few different options before finding what you like. But the good news is that you can change the light by simply choosing different types of light bulbs, using dimmers or opening unused windows. If your room is illuminated mostly by fluorescent lighting, you may want to add a few light fixtures or lamps to soften the harsh fluorescent bulbs.

So, now you have no excuses for living amongst plain white walls or subjecting your friends to that orange striped couch from 1979. These tips will help you to remodel even the most atrocious of rooms to reveal a modern look that reflects your lifestyle — without breaking the bank!

For more information on cost-efficient flooring, area rugs and other flooring options, visit Floor Decor Carpet One at 1870 East Grand Avenue or call 847-265-7493.



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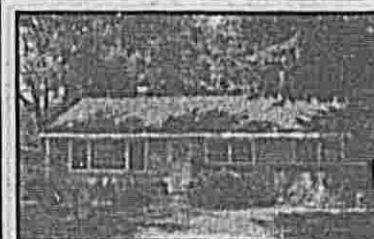


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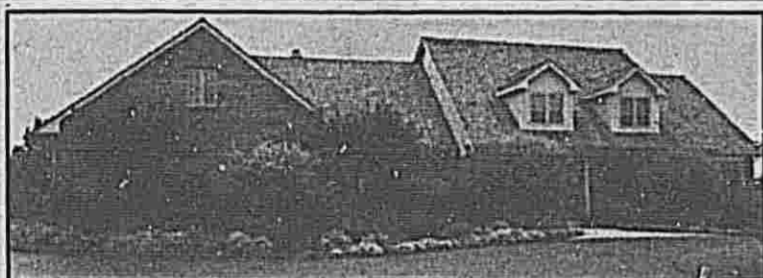
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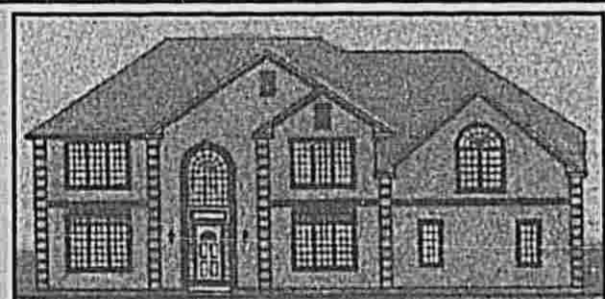
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Aug. 26	at Batavia	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 2	Johnsburg	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	at Grant*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	Vernon Hills*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 23	Wauconda*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 30	at Zion-Benton	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 7	at Lakes*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 14	at Round Lake*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	North Chicago*	7:30 p.m.

* denotes conference game

CARMEL

2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 26	Notre Dame*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 3	at St. Joseph*	1:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	St. Patrick*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	Nazareth Academy*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 23	at St. Viator*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 30	Joliet Catholic*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 7	Benet Academy*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 14	at Marian*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	at Marist*	7:30 p.m.

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GRANT

2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 26	at Johnsburg	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 2	Bay View (Wis.)	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	Antioch*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	at Wauconda*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 24	at Lakes*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	Round Lake*	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 8	at Warren	1 p.m.
Oct. 14	North Chicago*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	at Vernon Hills*	7:30 p.m.

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GRAYSLAKE

2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 26	at CL South*	7:45 p.m.
Sept. 2	*Huntley*	7:45 p.m.
Sept. 9	Woodstock*	7:45 p.m.
Sept. 16	at Jacobs*	7:45 p.m.
Sept. 24	McHenry*	1 p.m.
Sept. 30	at Prairie Ridge*	7:45 p.m.
Oct. 7	Cary-Grove*	7:45 p.m.
Oct. 14	at CL Central*	7:45 p.m.
Oct. 21	Dundee-Crown*	7:45 p.m.

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JOHNSBURG

2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 26	Grant	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 2	at Antioch	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	Oregon	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	at Winnebago	7 p.m.
Sept. 23	at Rich.-Burton*	7 p.m.
Sept. 30	Byron*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 7	at Marengo*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 14	Burlington Cent.*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	at Harvard*	7:30 p.m.

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LAKES

2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 26	at Monroe (Wis.)	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 2	Niles North	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	Round Lake*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	at Lake Zurich	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 24	Grant*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 30	at North Chicago*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 7	Antioch*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 14	at Vernon Hills*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	at Wauconda*	7:30 p.m.

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LIBERTYVILLE

2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 26	Barrington	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 2	at Naperville North	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	at Mundelein*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	Lake Forest*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 23	North Chicago	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	Lake Zurich*	1 p.m.
Oct. 7	at Stevenson*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 14	Warren*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	at Zion-Benton*	7:30 p.m.

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MUNDELEIN

2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 26	Buffalo Grove	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 2	Malne West	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	Libertyville*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	at Warren*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 23	at Zion-Benton*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	Stevenson*	1 p.m.
Oct. 8	at Lake Forest*	1 p.m.
Oct. 14	Wauconda	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	at Lake Zurich*	7:30 p.m.

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ROUND LAKE

2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 26	Westosha (Wis.) Cent.	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 2	Malne East	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	at Lakes*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	North Chicago*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 24	Vernon Hills*	1 p.m.
Oct. 1	at Grant*	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 8	at Wauconda*	1 p.m.
Oct. 14	Antioch*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 22	at Lake Forest	1 p.m.

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WARREN

2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 26	at New Trier	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 3	at Malne South	1:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	Zion-Benton*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	Mundelein*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 23	at Lake Zurich*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	at Lake Forest*	1 p.m.
Oct. 8	Grant	1 p.m.
Oct. 14	at Libertyville*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	Stevenson*	7:30 p.m.

* denotes conference game

WAUCONDA

2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 26	at Harvard	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 2	Marengo	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	at North Chicago*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	Grant*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 23	at Antioch*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 30	at Vernon Hills*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 8	Round Lake*	1 p.m.
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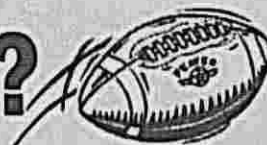
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2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 27	Joliet Twp.*	1 p.m.
Sept. 2	at Lane	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 6	at Deerfield	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 17	Malne West	1 p.m.
Sept. 24	Malne South*	1 p.m.
Sept. 30	at New Trier*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 8	Niles West*	1 p.m.
Oct. 15	at Evanston*	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 22	Glenbrook South*	1 p.m.

* denotes conference game

Are you ready for some football?



Ah, football. As LL Cool J rapped during the closing credits of "Wildcats" — "It's the sport of kings, better than diamond rings." With apologies to horse racing and the folks at DeBeers, he was on to something.

With interest in the NFL and college football soaring, so too is the interest and quality of Lake County football.

The county did nothing to disprove the notion that it is becoming a football powerhouse, following up an historic 2003 season — in which Carmel won the Class 6A state title and Libertyville finished second in Class 7A — with another magical season in 2004.

And headlining last year's phenomenal season was Libertyville, which ran the table and fulfilled its quest of winning the school's first state title with a 13-3 win over Cary-Grove in Champaign. Speaking of Champaign, that's where the Cats got new QB Cameron Turner, son of Chicago Bears offensive coordinator Ron Turner. Turner hopes to make a return trip to his former home as Libertyville begins the drive for its third straight state title game appearance.

But he'll have help, namely in seniors Mike Culberson-Fehling and Kevin Koza, two of the team's few returning starters. And just like last year, when the team's motto was "Under the radar," head coach Randy Kuceyeski is being careful not to overburden his team with enormous expectations.

The Cats aren't the only team that managed an undefeated regular season as Johnsbury stormed through the Big Northern Conference before falling in the second round of the Class 5A playoffs. The Skyhawks' expectations, bolstered by the return of star QB Trevor Bupp, are just as high in 2005.

Warren also has big expectations this year, based on the fact that they return the super-talented trio of Mitchell Moore, Marcus Lewis and Marvin Bemby. Moore, Lakeland's Preseason Offensive Player of the Year, gained 1,663 yards on 196 carries (8.5-yard average) and scored 24 touchdowns in helping lead Warren to an 8-3 record and a playoff win over Barrington in the first round of the Class 8A playoffs. Lewis and Bemby joined Moore on the 2004 All-Lakeland team.

Carmel also has some dynamic returning talent, led by Lakeland Preseason Defensive Player of the Year Sean Murnane and 2004 Rookie of the Year Jimmy Potempa, who gained 1,200 yards on the ground as a sophomore. While last year's expectations of a second straight state title may have been unrealistic, head coach Andy Bitto feels he has the horses to ride on back to

Champaign in '05.

The area's two other playoff qualifiers in '04, Antioch and Mundelein, were hit hard by graduation, so its players need to grow up in a hurry if the two schools hope for a return trip to the postseason.

Mundelein lost 2004 Lakeland Offensive Player of the Year Jake Gaebler to Western Kentucky, so returning fullback Wade Leppert will likely shoulder the offensive load this season. Still, head coach Dave Whitson fully expects his team to make another postseason push.

Antioch was absolutely crushed by graduation, as backs Nick Nathan and Nate Hughes, who combined to break every imaginable school rushing record, are both gone, leaving a trio of unproven players, seniors Dan Goggin and John Brinser, and junior Brad Fortney to take over. The Sequoias were also hurt by the split with Lakes High, which is set for its inaugural season with head coach Luke Mertens.

Grayslake, Waukegan and Round Lake all welcome new coaches into the fold in hopes of reversing their perpetual trend toward mediocrity.

Mike Munda is the man who will lead Grayslake Central in the district's

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Sept. 2	Johnsburg	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	at Grant*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	Vernon Hills*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 23	Wauconda*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 30	at Zion-Benton	7:30 p.m.
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Coach



Del Pechauer

Preseason All-Lakeland Team



Brad Fortney



John Brinser

New beginnings, realistic goals for Sequoits

New bleachers, new division, a new field house for the players to rest up during halftime, and, for the first time in more than 40 years, all home games will be played under the lights, which were installed last fall.

What head coach Del Pechauer hopes won't be new are results, like the ones last year that netted a 7-4 overall record and the school's first playoff win in 20 years.

"It's going to be exciting. But moving to the Prairie Division doesn't mean we're going to walk all over anyone," said Pechauer, whose squad makes the transition to the NSC Prairie this year, along with Lakes High, with Zion-Benton and Lake Zurich joining the Lake division. "We're going to be somewhat new to everyone and everyone is going to be new to us."

Speaking of new, the Sequoits will again run the same Wing-T type offense that yielded them around 400 yards per game rushing. It was a backfield that featured Nick Nathan and bruising back back Nate Hughes. Nathan led the county in rushing with more than 1,700 yards, while the duo combined to help break every school rushing record imaginable.

"Those are two big holes to fill, yes," the coach said. "But the best thing is this year we have four guys who can hurt you at any time. Defenses last year knew to key in on Nick (Nathan) and Nate (Hughes). Now, it will be a little more difficult because they won't be able to anticipate as well who will be getting the ball."

It's a backfield that will feature a



Members of the Antioch Community High School football team hit tackling sleds during a preseason practice.—Photo by Steve Young

rotation of seniors Dan Goggin and John Brinser, and juniors Brad Fortney and Tom Sulton.

Last year, Goggin, Fortney and Brinser saw plenty of time behind Hughes and Nathan. All three were and are also defensive starters with Brinser being the only returning All-Conference selection. Meanwhile, Sulton will be a nice addition after having led the sophomore team in rushing.

Pechauer likes all four of his

backs for different reasons.

"Tom has the speed, Brad and John have a lot of power, and Dan reads the holes well," the coach said.

Calling the signals will be senior Bryan Vos, who saw time in almost every game last year while backing up the graduated Ben Rozewicz.

And when not running the ball, Vos can look forward to tossing to not only the aforementioned backs, but to wide outs Mike Ruggles, Matt Skym, Mike Sinkovec, Scott



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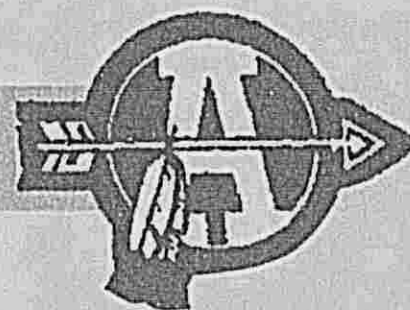
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SEQUOITS 2004 RESULTS

Aug. 27	at Hiles West	W	54-34
Sept. 3	Larkin	W	48-34
Sept. 10	Grant	W	41-26
Sept. 17	at Zion-Benton	W	33-14
Sept. 25	at Lake Forest*	W	54-14
Oct. 2	at Warren*	L	33-10
Oct. 8	Stevenson*	L	14-7
Oct. 16	Libertyville*	L	26-7
Oct. 22	at Mundelein*	W	24-8

Postseason			
Oct. 29	at Lake Zurich	W	27-6
Nov. 5	Libertyville	L	49-20

Final record: 7-4

*denotes conference game

Karagiorgas, Bjorn Jaranson and Kevin Huebner, and tight ends Ryan Knupp, Justin Bond and Ben O'Young.

All are seniors except for Jaranson and Karagiorgas, who are entering their junior cam-

paings.

"Bryan has been throwing the ball better and better every day and he has quick feet," Pechauer said.

Stamina and endurance will certainly be tested with many players

playing both sides of the ball.

The defense line will be anchored by returning lineman Nystrom and fellow senior Tim Larson. Senior Dan Marko will start at both offensive and defensive line, while senior Howard Muehlnickel

will start alongside him on the offensive side.

"Should be another fun year," Pechauer said. "The kids get excited about the little things, like the new stripes we put on our helmets."—By John Phelps

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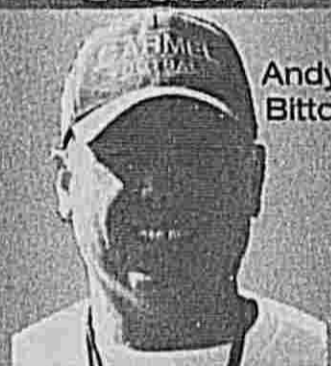
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CORSAIRS 2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 26	Notre Dame*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 3	at St. Joseph*	1:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	St. Patrick*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	Nazareth Academy*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 23	at St. Viator*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 30	Joliet Catholic*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 7	Benet Academy*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 14	at Marian*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	at Marist*	7:30 p.m.

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Coach



Andy Bitto

Preseason All-Lakeland Team



Sean Murnane



Jimmy Potempa

Corsairs look to get back on top

Anyone can have expectations, it's following through on them that matters. Carmel coach Andy Bitto believes 2005 is the year the Corsairs can return to the state championship arena. Of course, the team's got to jump its first hurdle by winning the opening game.

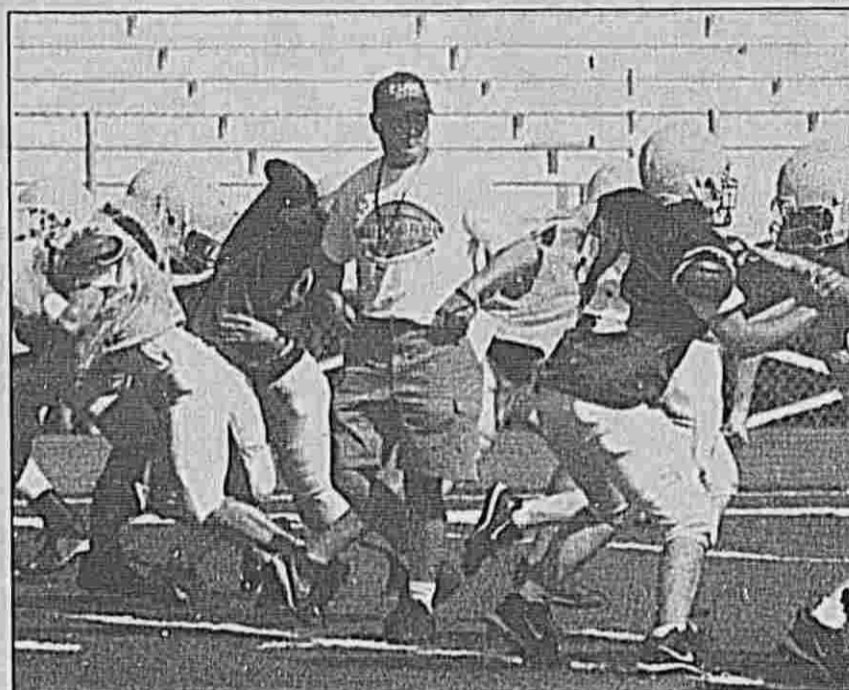
"Our first goal is to beat Notre Dame because that's our first game," Bitto said. "Then the second goal is to win the league and then we want to win state."

While such a statement sounds like the typical coach-speak for "we'll take what we can get," Bitto has a history of returning on most of his ambitions. With a perfect 14-0 state championship year in 2003, the Corsairs emerged as a powerhouse within the Lake County football scene.

History aside, Carmel has a number of weapons on both sides of the ball. While the Corsairs are only returning three full-time offensive and four defensive starters, Bitto believes talent is not a scarce commodity for his unit.

"We certainly have options on this team without dipping into the sophomore team if someone got hurt," Bitto said. "On offense, we have two quarterbacks, two full sets of linemen and we're in good shape in the tight end position. On defense, we've got eight kids for the D-line and five or six linebackers are also ready to go."

On the defensive side of the ball, Bitto is placing his chips on defensive lineman Sean Murnane. The 6-foot-2, 235-pound senior should fol-



Carmel High School varsity coach Andy Bitto looks on as his team scrimmages during a recent practice at the Mundelein school.—Photo by Sandy Bressner

low up on an impressive all-conference season.

"Sean Murnane will be our defensive leader, he was an All-ESCC player for us last year and he was our leading tackler," Bitto said. "He is one of our most experienced players and he was a starter on the state championship team as a sophomore."

Offensively, Bitto is returning a number of battle-tested players and he believes the Corsairs could put up some good numbers this season. Junior quarterback John Brennan should have a number of options with running backs Sean Lees and Chris Wienke running the triple option. Of course, those aren't Bitto's only weapons.

"Junior running back Jim

Potempa had a great year last season," Bitto said. "He finished with 1,200 yards and 15 touchdowns as a sophomore so he should have a great year for us. Sean McGrath is our tight end and he's got some really great hands and can block well for us."

The Corsairs have also benefited from the luck of the draw, lynchpin conference games against Notre Dame, St. Patrick and Joliet Catholic are all home games. Bitto said the friendly environment should help morale in some of Carmel's toughest games.

"Home field advantage is so important at the high school level because we've always got a packed house here," Bitto said. "Also, you remove travel because all of the

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Aug. 27	Marist*	W	41-21
Sept. 3	at Benet*	W	44-28
Sept. 10	Marion*	W	21-10
Sept. 17	at Notre Dame*	W	35-9
Sept. 24	St. Joseph*	W	42-6
Oct. 1	at St. Patrick*	L	20-19
Oct. 9	at Nazareth*	W	39-20
Oct. 15	St. Viator*	L	42-30
Oct. 22	at Joliet Catholic*	L	55-21

Postseason			
Oct. 29	North Chicago	W	31-28
Nov. 5	at Geneva	L	35-21

Final record: 7-4

*denotes conference game

2005 Carmel Corsairs

teams in this conference have to travel so far to play each other and that can be tough on some of the guys."

Any Carmel football team is going to be compared to the 2003 squad and Bitto believes this might be the team that could

stack up.

"I think we have more good high school football players than we did on the '03 team," Bitto said. "What

that will translate to we have yet to see, but if they can keep maturing at the current level I think we have a chance."—By Dan Patrick



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Aug. 26	at Johnsbury	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 2	Bay View (Wis.)	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	Antioch*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	at Wauconda*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 24	at Lakes*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	Round Lake*	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 8	at Warren	1 p.m.
Oct. 14	North Chicago*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	at Vernon Hills*	7:30 p.m.

* denotes conference game

Coach



Mark Barczak

Preseason All-Lakeland Team



Joe Barczak



John Schild

Grant intent on conquering Prairie

I love this time of year," said Grant football coach Mark Barczak, wearing a "Nitschke Never Wore Earrings" T-shirt, at the close of the first session in which players were allowed to wear pads.

The newness of the season is still there, daylight is still long but getting shorter, and there is much to accomplish before the Aug. 26 season opener at Johnsbury. Barczak, at Grant since 1978 and head coach since 1992, believes his forces are ready for a successful year.

"We have really emphasized the team concept this year. We have such a tough conference (the NSC Prairie), it can't be one or two players," Barczak said.

With several practices in pads remaining, the Bulldogs have much competition for several slots, but a few stand out as leaders.

Senior Rick Howell gets the early nod at QB this fall and has been coming along well from the seven-on-seven leagues and pre-season practices.

Third-year varsity player Chris Robinson is back as a senior as is Chris Roberts, who leads the line-man as a 300-pounder. Then there is Tyler "Bam Bam" Benning at full-back, a senior dynamo who is all of 5-foot-6.

Grant is looking for a winning season after a 4-5 mark last year. But three of the four wins were in the NSC Prairie.

Another captain is Joe Barczak, a safety, and John Schild, a senior running back.



Grant Community High School quarterback Rick Howell hands the ball off to a teammate during a practice at the Fox Lake school.—Photo by Sandy Bressner

Sophomore Bob Mattlander continues the tradition of having a Mattlander on the varsity, at a defensive tackle spot.

"We have 1,500 kids, so the numbers are up for us. Johnsbury is

a great team to open with, and the NSC will be brutal. I'm pretty jealous of the new equipment at Lakes High, and they seem to be a first class organization," Barczak said. "It's not how big you are, but if you

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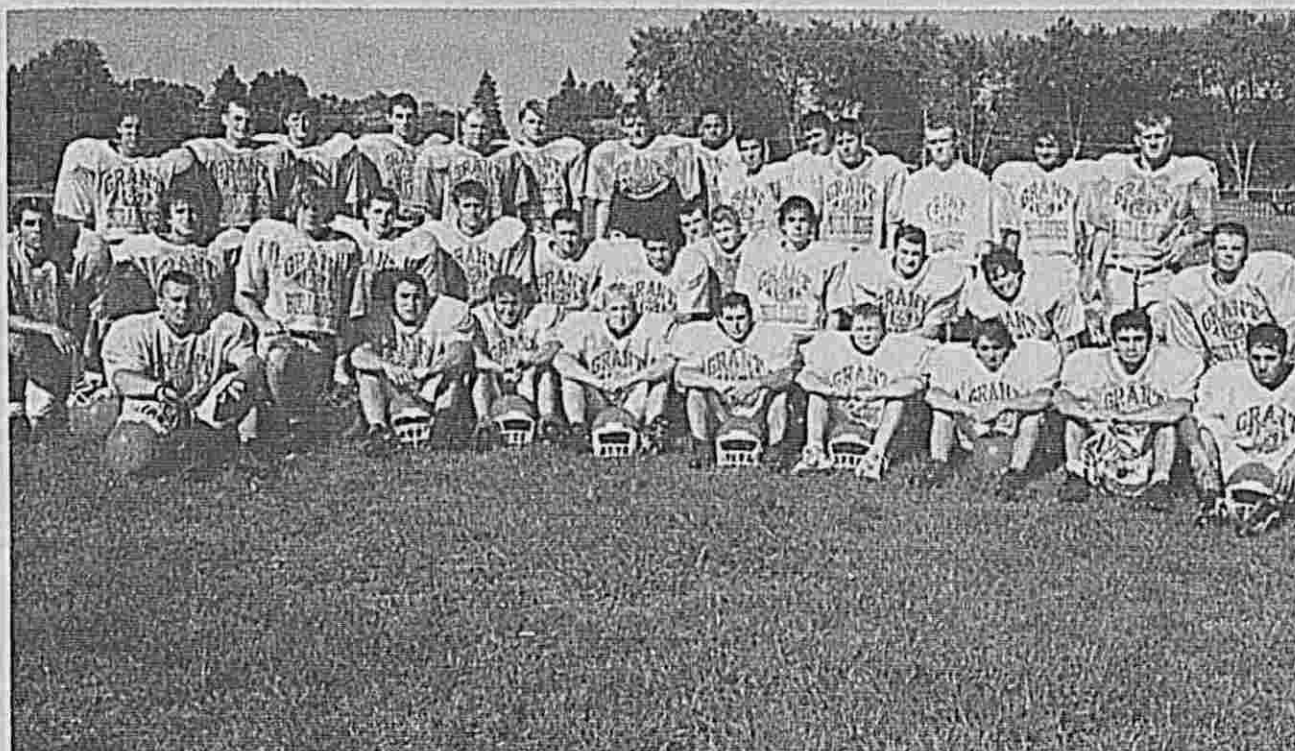
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Sept. 3	Johnsburg	L 35-34
Sept. 10	at Antioch	L 41-28
Sept. 17	at Warren	L 49-28
Sept. 23	Vernon Hills*	W 28-21
Oct. 1	at Round Lake*	W 27-7
Oct. 9	Wauconda*	W 55-13
Oct. 15	at North Chicago*	L 13-10
Oct. 22	at Zion-Benton*	W 44-32

Final record: 4-5

*denotes conference game

2005 Grant Bulldogs

have a big heart."

"As always, we have some goals. We were excited to be co-division champs last year. You can tell the

kids who have made the commitment in the summer. We want to make the playoffs, win the division and just be better each day,"

Barczak said.

Some changes to the coaching staff have Herb Jahnke joining as an assistant, as is former Grant star

Aaron Behm. Jim Cramer continues to run the offense, Kurt Rous the defense and Tom Evans the special teams.—By Steve Peterson

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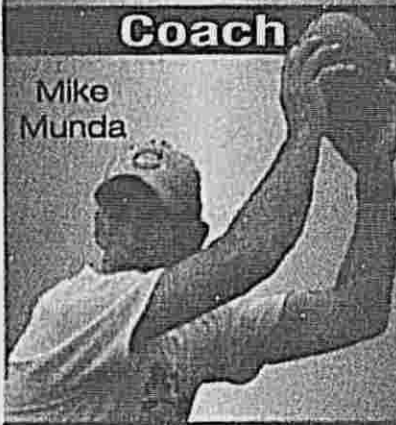
RAMS 2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 26	at CL South*	7:45 p.m.
Sept. 2	*Huntley*	7:45 p.m.
Sept. 9	Woodstock*	7:45 p.m.
Sept. 16	at Jacobs*	7:45 p.m.
Sept. 24	McHenry*	1 p.m.
Sept. 30	at Prairie Ridge*	7:45 p.m.
Oct. 7	Cary-Grove*	7:45 p.m.
Oct. 14	at CL Central*	7:45 p.m.
Oct. 21	Dundee-Crown*	7:45 p.m.

* denotes conference game

Coach

Mike Munda



Preseason All-Lakeland Team



Chris Westfall



Evan Jones

New coach, new name, same goal

In the midst of an all-out practice last Tuesday, Grayslake Central's first team offense was running against its top defensive unit. After a running play went for a minimal gain, one of the offensive players made his disgust known — at least momentarily.

Defensive coordinator Ben Ault quickly went over and put a stop to the player's gripe and said, "That's enough. Be positive. We don't have room for negativity on this team."

That's how much of an effect new GCHS head coach Mike Munda has had on the team's staff and players in just a few months' time. He's made it clear that he hates negativity and won't tolerate it from anyone on his team.

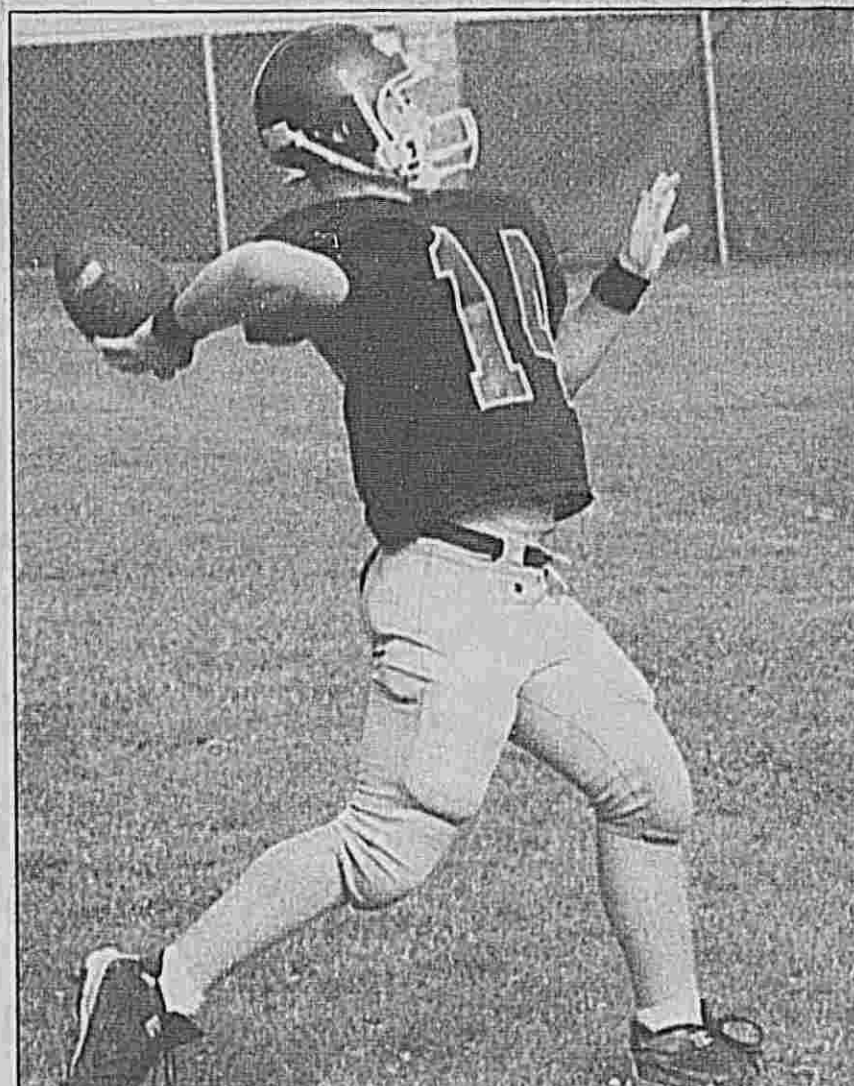
"The biggest focus for us going into the season is developing unity," Munda said. "We have to stay together as a team no matter what. We'll be down at times, guys will make some mistakes, but we have to stay positive and keep our composure."

Munda hopes to change the mindset of a town and program that saw its team finish 2-7 last season, and which has seen just one playoff win in its history. He also knows that the Rams will have to go through some tough teams in the Fox Valley Conference to accomplish that goal.

"We're in a conference that sent a team (Cary-Grove) to the state title game last year," Munda said. "But we want to be competitive in every game."

Much like previous coach Vito Andriola, Munda is building his team to be dominant on defense.

"Our best athletes are on defense this year," Munda said. "And with our scheme, it can attack and



Grayslake Central High School's Evan Jones throws a pass during a practice at the school.—Photo by John Dickson

contain. It also allows us to dictate the tempo, because you won't see the same look from us more than two times in a row."

The lynchpin of that defense will be the team's lone returning All-FVC selection, senior linebacker Chris "Bulldog" Westfall. Also an All-

Lakeland pick in 2004, Westfall led the Rams with more than 100 tackles, two sacks and two fumble recoveries.

"Bulldog" is phenomenal," Munda said. "He works his tail off and he's always around the ball. I wish I had a whole team of players like him."

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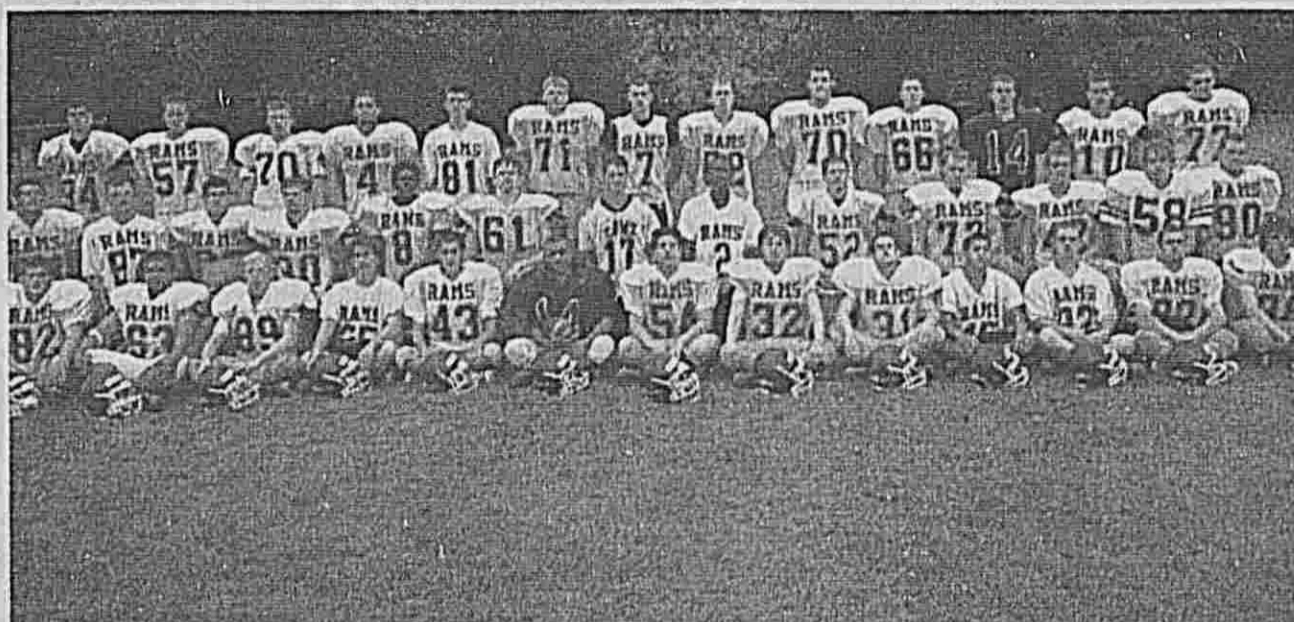
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RAMS 2004 RESULTS

Aug. 27	at Lako Zurich*	W	32-14
Sept. 3	Crystal Lake South*	L	26-18
Sept. 10	Jacobs	L	24-0
Sept. 17	at Prairie Ridge*	L	34-7
Sept. 23	Cary-Grove*	L	28-0
Oct. 1	at Huntley*	W	24-5
Oct. 8	at McHenry*	L	34-0
Oct. 16	Crystal Lake Central*	L	18-12
Oct. 22	Dundee-Crown*	L	21-14

Final record: 2-7

*denotes conference game

2005 Grayslake Central Rams

Munda also looks to build some excitement on offense by bringing in the wishbone. And with QB Evan Jones, backs Brett Miller and Shaun Kuehl and receiver Chris Sparkman in the fold,

Munda expects his team to put up some points this year.

"The wishbone has been working great so far," Munda said. "We've been running the ball effectively in practice and if teams load up to stop

the run, Evan has been doing a great job finding Chris."

While most outsiders would see a postseason berth as unlikely, Munda feels his team can do it.

"If we stay together, the playoffs

are a very real possibility," Munda said. "And we're young, so our future is looking bright. But if we can be successful this year, it will put us a step ahead for next year."

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Sept. 2	at Antioch	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	Oregon	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	at Winnebago	7 p.m.
Sept. 23	at Rich.-Burton*	7 p.m.
Sept. 30	Byron*	7:30 p.m.
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Oct. 14	Burlington Cent.*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	at Harvard*	7:30 p.m.

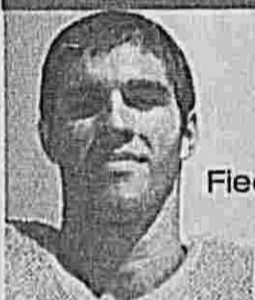
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Coach



Jason Aubry

Preseason All-Lakeland Team



Kyle Fiedorowicz



Trevor Bupp

Skyhawks look to air it out

Football fans who liked Johnsborg's wide-open style of offense should look for more of the same this fall.

And why not, with senior QB Trevor Bupp at the helm. Bupp finished his final game of 2004 with a 21-for-34, 337-yard passing effort, but the Skyhawks fell short in a second round loss to Rock Island Alleman, after winning 10 games in a row.

"We're going to keep throwing the ball, but we'll have a few tricks up our sleeves," head coach Jason Aubry said.

Senior receivers Brent Blackowicz and Josh Feld will likely be Bupp's top targets again this year.



Johnsborg High School's Hugo Mercado catches a pass during a recent practice.



Members of the Johnsborg High School varsity football team run drills during practice at the school.—Photos by Sandy Bressner

Mike Letzer, a 6-foot, 170-pound running back, and lineman Trevor Burton (6-2, 200) also return on offense.

"We're so much ahead of where we were last year," said Aubry, who is in his second season as head of the Skyhawks. "The seven-on-sevens, especially with a pass-oriented team like ours, is our place to shine, unlike a more run-dominated team."

Bupp has added some bulk in hopes of his second straight All-Big Northern Conference season. Also back is the top running back Zack Decker, also a senior.

Defensive leaders could be Eric

Vasley and Anthony Morrow at line-backer and Matt McDonald at safety. Matt Gregg, a senior, is a captain. Decker, Bupp and Feld also are the team's other captains.

The Skyhawks are preparing for their final year in the BNC before heading to the Fox Valley Conference next season. Fortunately, all of the teams that give the JHS faithful long road trips, come to JHS this fall. Neighbor Grant High is the first opponent, at JHS, on Aug. 26.

"We would like to keep the rivalry with Grant. But the Fox Valley will be big on crossover games,"

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SKYHAWKS 2004 RESULTS

Aug. 28	at Rich East	W 21-8
Sept. 3	at Grant	W 35-34
Sept. 10	at Oregon	W 35-28
Sept. 17	Winnebago	W 51-14
Sept. 24	Richmond-Burton*	W 42-25
Oct. 1	at Byron*	W 31-20
Oct. 8	Marengo*	W 34-6
Oct. 15	at Burlington Cent.*	W 12-10
Oct. 22	Harvard*	W 35-28

Postseason		
Oct. 29	LaSalle-Peru	W 24-0
Nov. 5	at R.-Island Alleman	L 36-33

Final Record: 10-1

*denotes conference game

2005 Johnsburg Skyhawks

Aubry said.

JHS has about 30 players out for the varsity team this year, while the freshman and sophomore squads

are in the 20s.

"Staying injury free is the main thing. There has been good off-season commitment. Our weight rooms

have been full all summer long," Aubry said.

Ex-JHS standout Mike Madsen has joined the coaching

staff. Dan McDonald, Doug Herrod, Kyle Neiss and Nate Aubugh, formerly of Grant, are also on staff.—By Steve Peterson

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Sept. 2	Niles North	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	Round Lake*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	at Lake Zurich	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 24	Grant*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 30	at North Chicago*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 7	Antioch*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 14	at Vernon Hills*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	at Wauconda*	7:30 p.m.

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Coach



Luke Mertens

Preseason All-Lakeland Team



Ben Rehm



Dan Ronsman

Eagles preparing for takeoff

During the reality TV craze, "The Surreal Life" has become one of the more popular shows. Lakes High football coach Luke Mertens is probably a fan of the show, because during the season opener against Monroe (Wis.) his reality will undoubtedly become surreal.

At the moment the ball flies high for the opening kickoff, it will mark not only the first official play in the history of the Lake Villa-based school, but the culmination of more than a year of hard work for Mertens.

"We've been talking about that moment for a long time," Mertens said. "It's going to be exciting, scary; it's going to run the whole gamut of emotions. And it will definitely be surreal."

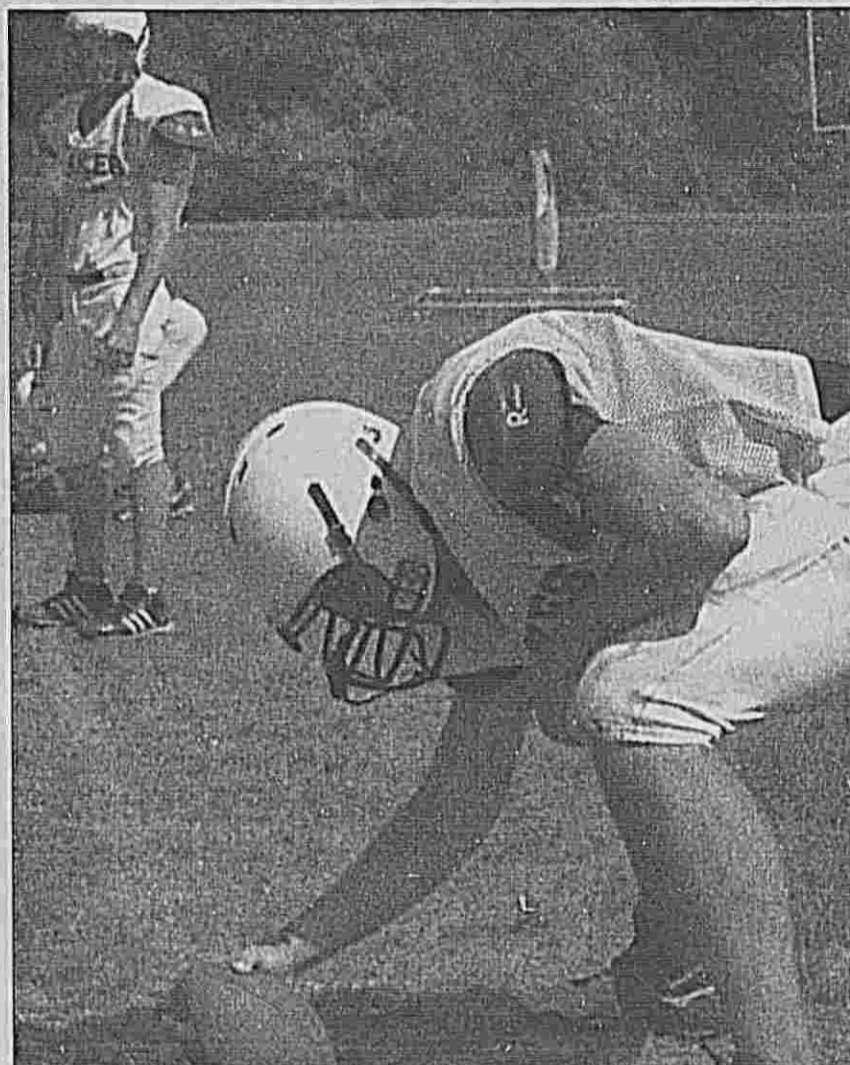
It's a good thing Mertens has a master's degree, because he feels this season will definitely be educational, not only for his players but for himself as well.

"It's going to be a major learning experience," Mertens said. "I'm learning about this area and the team and the kids are learning how to become varsity players."

Like Vernon Hills in 2000, Lakes will not have a single senior on the team, nor does it have a single player with significant varsity experience. But Mertens would love it if his team followed the formula of the Cougars, who went 2-7 in their first year then had three straight playoff appearances.

Rather than burdening his team with an expectation of wins, he has a simpler goal in mind.

"I'm trying to get the kids to go out there and compete," Mertens



Lakes Community High School's Dan Ronsman gets ready for the snap during a practice with the varsity football team at the Lake Villa school.—Photo by John Dickson

said. "I don't mean keeping the score close every game, I mean giving it everything they can every game. It's never about our opponent, it's about us; our execution and our effort."

"If we go 0-9, but the kids give it everything they have, how could I possibly ask for more?"

Still, Mertens would just as soon his team win a few games as his biggest task this season is helping his team to develop some confidence. He already likes the attitude he's seen from his players during camp.

"The camaraderie is developing; it's a lot higher than it was at the

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beginning of the summer," Mertens said. "It's been neat to see them become more and more of a team."

On the offensive side of the ball, Mertens will depend on the backfield trio of Ted Bariamis, Frank Soto and

Kevin Grant, and the ability of QB Richard Fisher to get the ball to receivers Sean Hertz and Greg Prendergast. Mertens said the athletic Jeremy Pohlman will likely play many offensive positions this season.

On the defense, Mertens feels the unit is a bit further along than their offensive counterparts. Linemen Joey Crowell and Dan Ronsman, defensive back Lorenzo Gomen, and linebackers Keenan Jones, Ben Rehm and

Mike Seay will be key, according to Mertens.

"I think we'll be stronger on defense this year, but I'm still trying to get them to become a bit more aggressive," he said.—By Rob Backus

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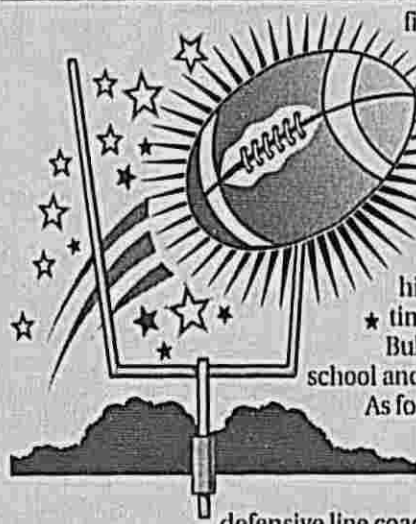
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final season before the athletic split with the North campus. He's already been able to change the team's attitude, but time will tell if the results will follow.

Waukegan's Pat Jennings, who stepped in after longtime coach John Neff retired after 25 years at the school, has also been able to change his team's attitude in a short period of time. His ultimate goal is to give the Bulldogs the respectability the team, the school and the town so richly deserve.

As for Round Lake, its coach may be new but he's certainly not unknown to the players or the rest of the Panthers' staff.

Doug Moss, the team's offensive and defensive line coach last season, grabbed the reins in late-June after former coach Kevin Dempsey unexpectedly resigned in May. He hopes for the return of "Panther Pride" and given the team's numerous close defeats in '04, Round Lake may be a lot closer than you'd think.

Grant may have missed the postseason in '04, but few people realize that the Bulldogs actually shared the NSC Prairie title with Zion-Benton and were just one win short of the playoffs. Head coach Mark Barczak feels his team can get over that hump for the school's first postseason berth in three years.

As for Bulldogs of Wauconda, they were one of the area's biggest stories last year simply for breaking the school's 29-game losing streak with a 24-21 double-overtime win over Round Lake in week five. Though the Bulldogs didn't win another game, it gave the program a huge lift that head coach Glen Kozlowski hopes carries into this season.

And that's the skinny on the 2005 football season, folks. Whether your team goes out kissing a trophy on the field at the University of Illinois in November, or walks away dejectedly when the regular season ends in October, one thing's for certain — history will have been made.—By Rob Backus

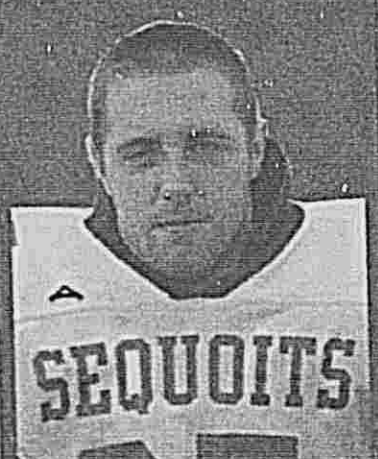
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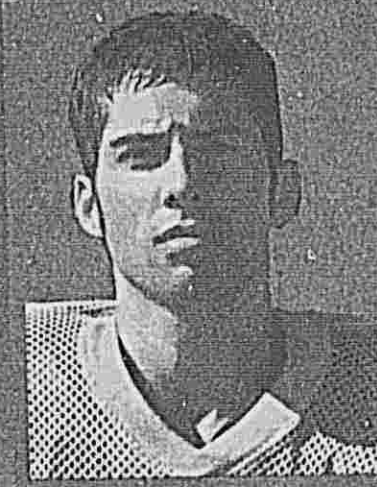


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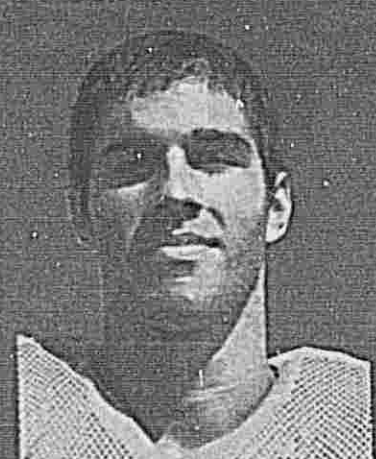


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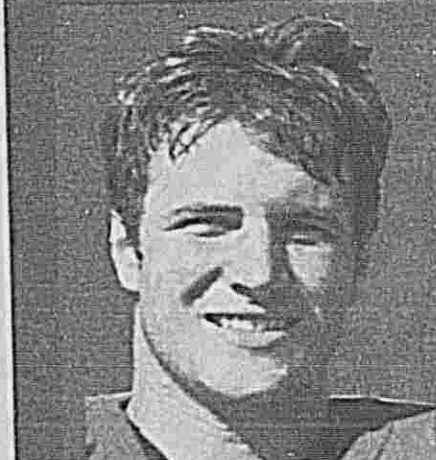
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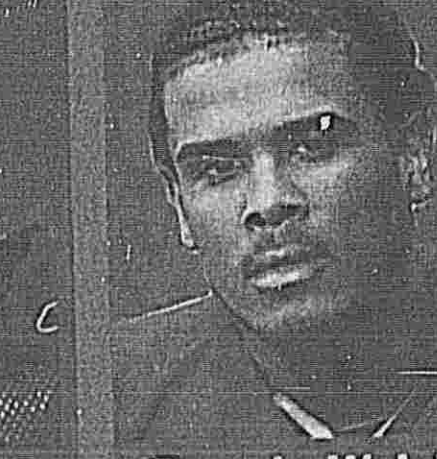
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WILDCATS 2005 SCHEDULE

Aug. 28	Barrington	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 2	at Naperville North	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	at Mundelein*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	Lake Forest*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 23	North Chicago	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	Lake Zurich*	1 p.m.
Oct. 7	at Stevenson*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 14	Warren*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	at Zion-Benton*	7:30 p.m.

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Coach



Randy Kuceyeski

Preseason All-Lakeland Team



Mike
Culberson-
Fehling



Kevin
Koza

Wildcats finding their identity

At the beginning of last season, Libertyville High School varsity head football coach Randy Kuceyeski conveyed cautious optimism, saying, "we have a lot of inexperience, but eight or nine wins is definitely possible" before the Wildcats began playing out their schedule.

That guarded mentality was based on the fact that the team was returning just one offensive player—senior offensive lineman David Moosman.

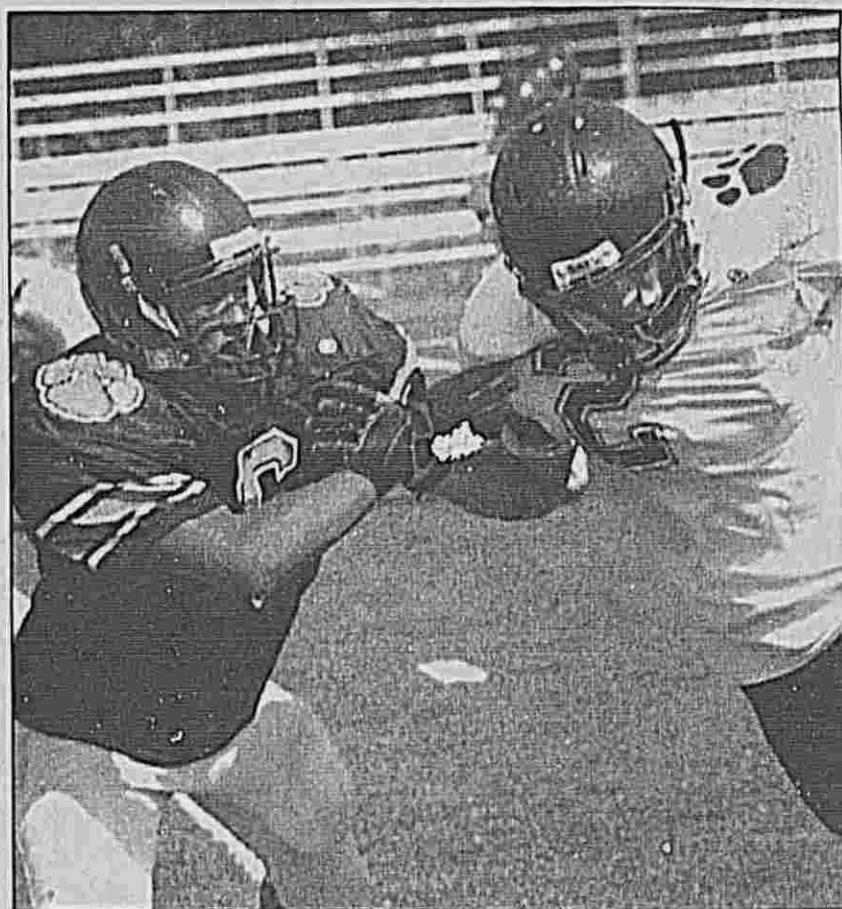
But, each week, the Wildcats picked off another team until they had compiled an undefeated regular season. A month later, they were crowned champs of Class 7A when they beat Cary-Grove 13-3 in the title game.

The beginning of Libertyville's 2005 season offers definite similarities to last year's, as evidenced by Kuceyeski's assessment, which could just as easily have been applied to the 2004 team at the opening of their campaign.

"We have a lot of pieces to the puzzle we have put together (but) there a lot of new faces in the lineup," he said.

Once again, the offense will be starting from scratch. All three of last year's starting running backs (Jeff Fontana, Kyle Nader and Tom Sitz), their starting quarterback (Brett Lancaster), one of their most important leaders (Moosman) and much their offensive line are gone.

Senior Mike Culberson-Fehling will offer the most experience on that side of the ball at tight end, but only started three games at that position



Wide receiver Jack Howard tries to run past Perry Landers during a play at Libertyville High School Varsity football practice. —Rebecca Landman.

last year.

Just like last year, the 6-foot-4 Culberson-Fehling will bring most of his experience to the field as a defensive end, where he started last season.

"I think he'll be one of the best defensive players in the state," Kuceyeski said, "and, with his athleticism, he'll be one of the top receivers as well. So we're counting on him quite a bit."

Senior tailback Eric Cusek will

anchor Kuceyeski's "Wing-t offense" and will be joined by junior newcomer Ryan Kennedy, who was a standout quarterback on the wildcats' sophomore team last season. Kennedy will also be counted on in the defensive secondary as a free safety.

Senior Cameron Turner, son of first-year Bears offensive coordinator and former University of Illinois coach Ron Turner, will step in at quarterback this season after

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2005 Libertyville Wildcats

WILDCATS 2004 RESULTS

Aug. 27	Lincoln-Way Cent.	W 44-28
Sept. 3	at McHenry	W 42-7
Sept. 10	North Chicago	W 41-14
Sept. 17	at Vernon Hills	W 46-3
Sept. 23	Stevenson*	W 34-12
Oct. 2	Mundelein*	W 30-8
Oct. 8	at Warren*	W 24-14
Oct. 16	at Antioch*	W 26-7
Oct. 23	at Lake Forest*	W 44-0

Postseason

Oct. 29	Mundelein	W 16-9
Nov. 5	at Antioch	W 49-20
Nov. 12	Glenbrook North	W 28-14
Nov. 19	at Rolling Meadows	W 41-25
Nov. 27	Cary-Grove	W 13-3

Final record: 14-0

*denotes conference game

excelling at the position for Champaign Centennial High School as a junior.

"(Turner) has been here since January and gotten to know some of the kids and he's fit right in,"

Kuceyeski said. "If you didn't know him, you wouldn't identify his as a new player. The kids have accepted him and like having him around."

While this year's team is follow-

ing up Libertyville's first ever state championship football team, Kuceyeski said the Cats were already well on their way to creating their own identity for 2005.

"We're not talking about win-

ning state or anything," he said. "We never have in the past so we kind of let that develop on it's own and the important thing is for us to come out (Aug. 26) against Barrington."—By Matt Pera

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Sept. 16	at Warren*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 23	at Zion-Benton*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	Stevenson*	1 p.m.
Oct. 8	at Lake Forest*	1 p.m.
Oct. 14	Wauconda	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	at Lake Zurich*	7:30 p.m.

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Coach



Dave Whitson

Preseason All-Lakeland Team



David Adams



Wade Leppert

Mustangs hope depth pays off

Dave Whitson took over as head coach of the Mundelein football program last season and immediately focused on restoring respectability to the Mustangs.

That mission was accomplished in the form of a 5-4 regular season record and a down-to-the-wire 16-9 loss to eventual state champ Libertyville in the first round of the playoffs.

It didn't hurt to have the 2004 Lakeland Offensive Player of the Year Jake Gaebler playing nearly every snap of every game. Gaebler finished his senior campaign with 180 total points scored, five interceptions and 1,787 yards of total offense.

But the former standout is suiting up for Western Kentucky this year, leaving the Mustangs with a solid season off of which they now have the opportunity to build.

"We certainly had a great off-season in the weight room," Whitson said. "Our summer camps were solid. We have a lot of depth at a lot of positions, which is making things competitive for positions because it's hard to say that one kid is going to be like the Jake Gaebler we had last year."

Whitson cited junior fullback Wade Leppert as one key to this year's success. Leppert saw a substantial amount of varsity playing time last season, contributing large chunks of yards along with Gaebler and senior running back Steve Tonsul.

Senior David Adams is slated to share time with Leppert in the backfield this season. Whitson added that



Mundelein High School's Dexter Smith runs drills with his varsity teammates during a preseason practice.—Photos by Sandy Bressner

Adams would also be an integral part of the Mustangs' defense this year at middle linebacker.

Junior Chris Hebert is stepping in at quarterback for senior Ian Sanchez, who started at the position for the second half of last season but opted to concentrate on basketball this year.

In the trenches, Whitson said junior offensive tackle Juan Olmos

would anchor the Mustangs attack. He added that, overall, he saw few positions where the team was lacking bodies.

"We've got a lot of kids and we're excited," he said. "We don't have any who is dead weight on team. We're excited with what we have."

Whitson said his players created nine goals last season and accomplished eight. The only one for which

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Aug. 27	Grant	W	49-27
Sept. 3	at Malno West	W	42-41
Sept. 10	Wauconda	W	50-14
Sept. 17	at Round Lake	W	41-27
Sept. 23	Warren*	L	35-14
Oct. 2	at Libertyville*	L	30-8
Oct. 8	Lake Forest*	W	49-14
Oct. 15	at Stevenson*	L	40-27
Oct. 22	Antioch*	L	24-9

Postseason

Oct. 29	at Libertyville	L	16-9
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Final record: 5-5

*denotes conference game

2005 Mundelein Mustangs

the Mustangs came up short was winning a playoff game. This year, he said his players hoped to get that goal under their belts as well.

"We want to make the playoffs

(and) we want to win a playoff game," he said. "We're moving in the right direction. Last year was a great year and we hope to continue on that."—By Matt Pera



Mundelein High School head coach Dave Whitson talks with quarterback Chris Hebert during a preseason practice at the school.

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Sept. 9	at Lakes*	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	North Chicago*	7:30 p.m.
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Oct. 1	at Grant*	1:30 p.m.
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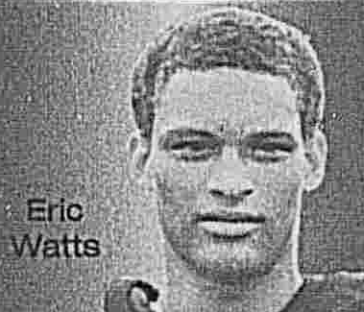
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Doug Moss

Preseason All-Lakeland Team



Eric Watts



James Nowell

Winds of change blowing for Panthers

When Doug Moss was offered the head coaching job after longtime coach Kevin Dempsey resigned in mid-May, football was the furthest thing from his mind. About to go on a week-long fishing trip in Canada, Moss was looking forward to some rest and relaxation.

However, he ended up spending much of the trip in a boat, talking strategy sessions with Doug Channel, who coached at Round Lake for 35 years. And when Moss came back from Canada, he hit the ground running. First he had the school's annual football camp in July; then he began outlining his plans for the season, which is for Round Lake to get back to respectability.

The team has just two winning seasons and one lone playoff appearance in the last 11 years. And despite a record of 1-8 last year, Moss feels the Panthers are closer to respectability than you would think.

"The first thing I did in camp was to outline the positives we had last year," Moss said. "We may have gone 1-8, but six of our losses were by seven points or less and our worst loss was 13 points."

With that in mind, Moss has put a big emphasis on special teams, which cost the Panthers at least one game last year.

"We lost a close game to Westosha Central in the season opener and we gave up three special teams touchdowns," he said. "If we only give up one, we win the game comfortably."

"I'm a stickler for the little things, which is a big part of football."



Round Lake High School's Steve Lehocky goes up against teammate Santiago San Roman during a practice at the school.—Photo by Sandy Bressner

If we did a few of the little things last season, we probably would have won four more games."

Four more wins are exactly what Moss is shooting for in his first year. And that would mean the school's first postseason berth since 2001.

He's also seeking a more-balanced offense, after being decidedly run-heavy in recent seasons.

"I believe in balance," Moss said. "You have to be able to do a little bit of both, and that's where the coach-

ing comes in. We have to make a game plan to put pressure on the other team."

Senior James Nowell will shoulder the load in the backfield, while receivers Eric Watts, Caesar Moore, Anthony Jones and Isaiah Gardner will look to catch passes from junior QB Mike Ortiz.

Of course, given Moss's background as a former line coach, he holds a special place in his heart for the guys in the trenches.

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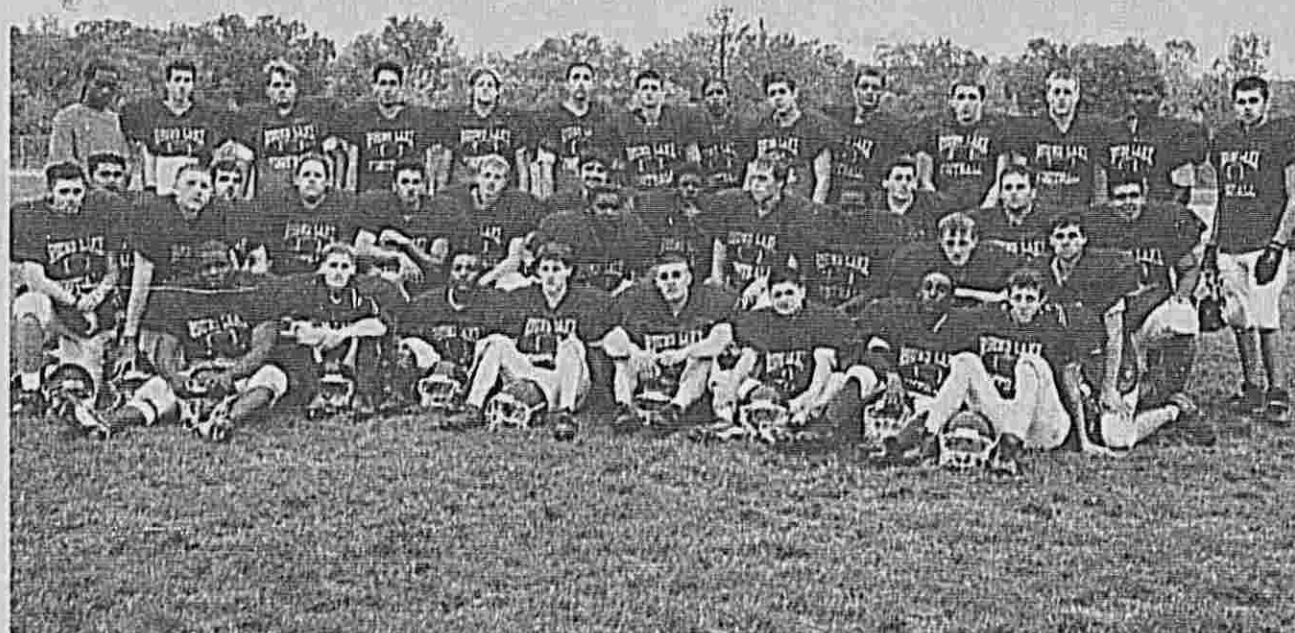
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PANTHERS 2004 RESULTS

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	Cent.	L 34-20
Sept. 33	at Maine East	L 40-21
Sept. 11	at Lark Forest	L 30-21
Sept. 17	Mundelein	L 41-23
Sept. 28	Wauconda*	L 24-20
Oct. 1	Grant*	L 27-7
Oct. 8	at North Chicago*	W 13-12
Oct. 15	Zion-Benton*	L 20-7
Oct. 22	at Vernon Hills*	L 17-7

Final record: 1-8

* denotes conference game

2005 Round Lake Panthers

"Kyle Herdman is a very knowledgeable lineman and he always wants to improve," Moss said. "Danny Valadez and Sergio

Rivera will be our bookends at tackle, and Rivera did an outstanding job in the weight room." Although his team is decided-

ly young, Moss feels his team is capable of a big surge forward this year.

"I see a lot of athleticism and

enthusiasm on this team," he said. "If we can put it all together, I think we'll have a very solid season."—By Rob Backus

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Oct. 14	at Libertyville*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	Stevenson*	7:30 p.m.

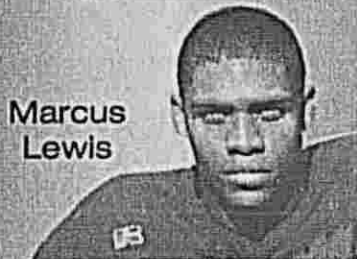
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Coach



Dave Mohapp

Preseason All-Lakeland Team



Marcus Lewis



Mitchell Moore

Devils building a winning tradition

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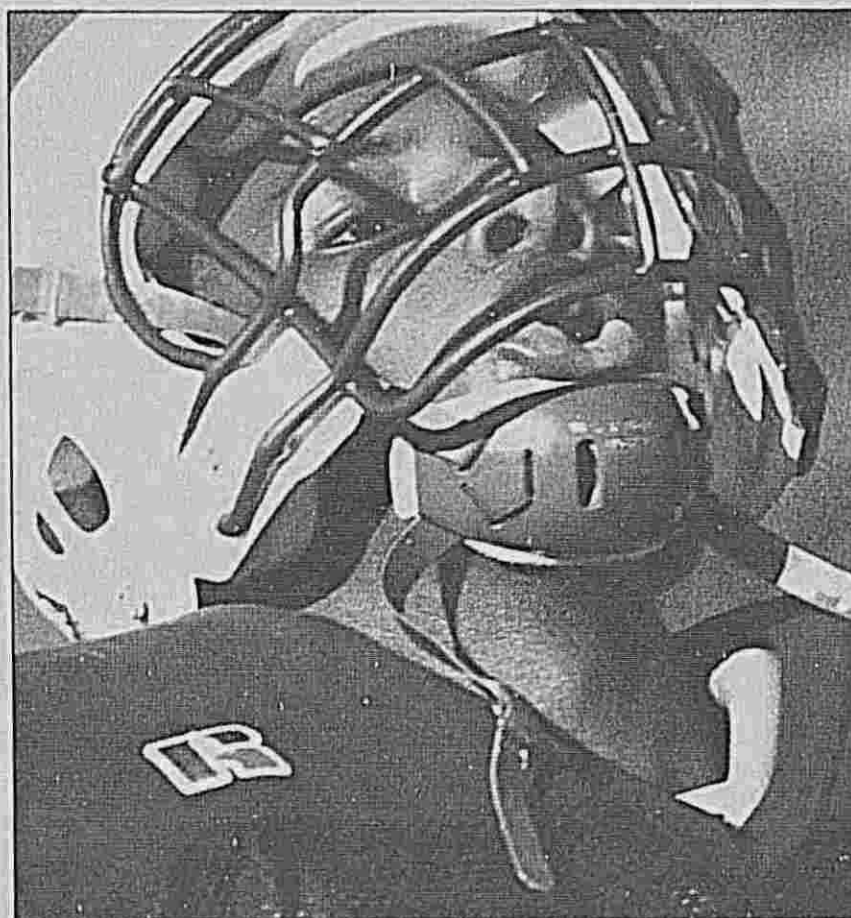
Then, after a brief respite, you're taking the field again in the late-afternoon heat — and by the time you're limping toward the locker room three hours later the grimy shower room never looked as inviting as it does at that moment. After a few days, you're praying for school to start just so you can get a break.

However, in Warren's case, it would just as soon push back the start of school. While most teams had at least a week of two-a-days in full pads, the Devils had just a few before school started last week, putting them at a decided disadvantage.

"It will be interesting to see how we come out of camp," Warren coach Dave Mohapp said. "We only had four two-a-days, which makes it more challenging to find out about your team."

Of course, Mohapp already knows what he has in the trio of All-Lakeland selections Mitchell Moore, Marcus Lewis and Marvin Bemby.

Moore, who gained 1,663 yards on 196 carries (8.5-yard average) and scored 24 touchdowns in helping lead Warren to an 8-3 record and a playoff win over Barrington in the first round of the Class 8A playoffs, figures to be the workhorse for the offense once again. Several Division I schools are hot on the trail of the 6-foot, 190-pound prospect.



Taking a breather, Marvin Bemby runs in from the field during Warren Township High School's Varsity Football practice.—Photo by Rebecca Landmann

"It's interesting to see how players change from year to year, and Mitchell has actually turned into a more physical player," Mohapp said. "He already had good speed, but now he's looking to hit you."

And when teams stack eight men in the box to stop Moore, the 6-3 Lewis will provide an inviting target for new QB Joe DeVries.

"He's just a great player," Mohapp said. "I've coached for 24 years, and he's the best combination

of hands, body control, size and jumping ability I've seen."

"And when teams focus on him, (junior) Matt Mose gives us a nice receiver on the other side of the field."

As for Bemby, after starring in the defensive backfield in 2004, Mohapp envisions an even bigger role for him this season.

"He's a terrific athlete," Mohapp said. "He'll be our starting safety, but he's also going to see some time in

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BLUE DEVILS 2004 RESULTS

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Sept. 3	Maine South	L	38-30
Sept. 10	Zion-Benton	W	45-7
Sept. 17	Grant	W	49-28
Sept. 23	at Mundelein*	W	35-14
Oct. 2	Antioch*	W	33-10
Oct. 8	Libertyville*	L	24-14
Oct. 15	Lake Forest*	W	41-6
Oct. 23	at Stevenson*	W	29-12

Postseason			
Oct. 30	Barrington	W	35-7
Nov. 6	Stevenson	L	31-28

Final record: 8-3

*denotes conference game

2005 Warren Blue Devils

the backfield with Mitchell this year."

Believe it or not, it's not Warren's terrific trio that will be the difference

this season, according to Mohapp.

"We have a lot of talent in the skill positions, but our play on the offensive and defensive lines will be

the biggest key this year," he said.

"We're very young on both fronts, so if they can develop we'll be in good shape." —By Rob Backus

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Sept. 30 at Vernon Hills*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 8 Round Lake*	1 p.m.
Oct. 14 at Mundelein	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21 Lakes*	7:30 p.m.

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Coach



Glen Kozlowski

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Wauconda angling for new streak

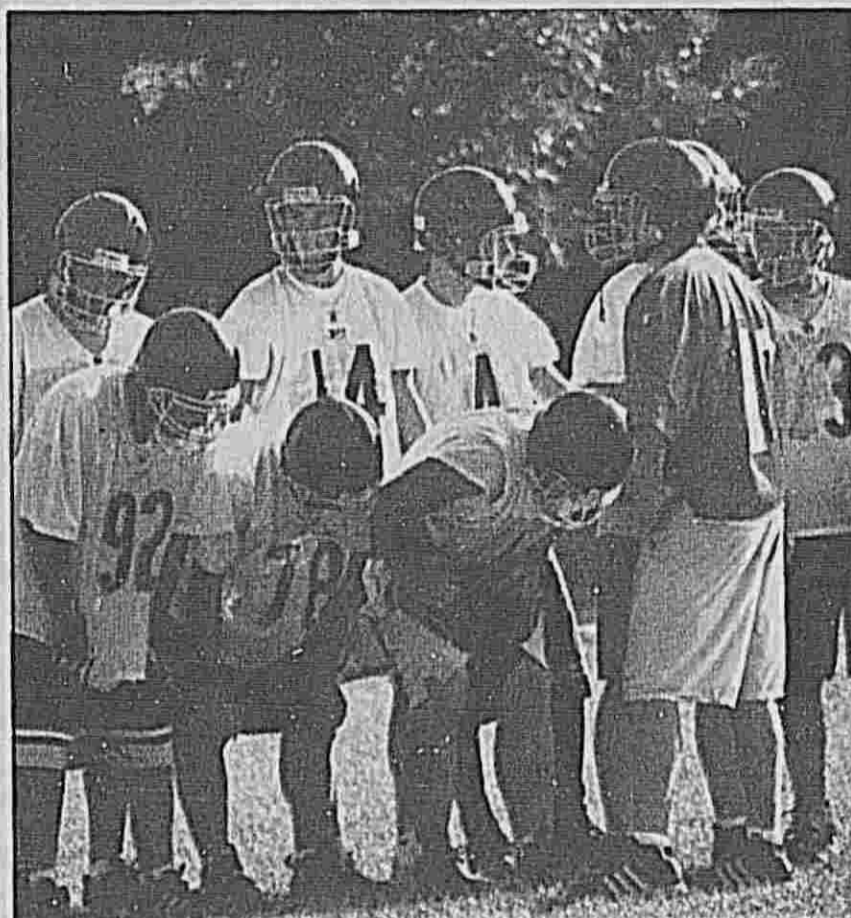
There comes a time in the life span of a coaching staff when it's time to put up or shut up. After finishing 1-24 in his first three years at the helm of the Wauconda program and with 19 out of 22 starters returning, coach Glen Kozlowski believes the 2005 season is finally the time the Bulldogs can turn it all around.

However, the current task at hand is to simply get over that first hurdle of winning a game — after that, the sky's the limit.

"Well, the first goal is to win more than the one game we got last year," Kozlowski said. "Our main goal then is to win conference and then get into the playoffs but that's up to the kids and they've got to put it all together this year."

Offensively, Kozlowski is pinning his hopes on the legs of senior halfback Bill Cheng. Cheng, a state-qualifying runner for the Bulldog track team last year, certainly has the speed for the job. Hopefully he won't have to do it alone with the help of senior receivers Kris Gehrke, Jay Grooms and Nick Angellotti.

"Billy Cheng, our tailback is easily one of the fastest guys in the conference; he was one of the top runners in the state in track last year and that will translate well to the football field," Kozlowski said. "Wide receiver Kris Gehrke should do well for us and Jay Groom is 6-foot-5 and Nick Angellotti is 6-foot-6 and they both have a good size advantage, so they should get some catches for us."



Members of the Wauconda High School varsity huddle before a practice at the school.—Photo by Rebecca Landmann

Scorings one thing, but as the extremely tired sports adage goes, "Defense wins championships" and that's a statement Kozlowski holds like the Holy Grail. "Koz" is placing a significant amount of chips on his defensive line.

"We have some big kids up front that will stop a lot of guys," Kozlowski said. "If your defense is good, then you can win any game because you win games up front."

If there ever was a source of enthusiasm for the Wauconda faithful, it's come in the form of senior Anthony Santella. While the kickers are rarely the rallying call of any football team, Santella certainly has earned his fair share of props. Not only was one of Santella's kicks the winning blow in last year's victory over Round Lake, he's also proven himself as a punter, averaging 44.6 yards per kick last season.



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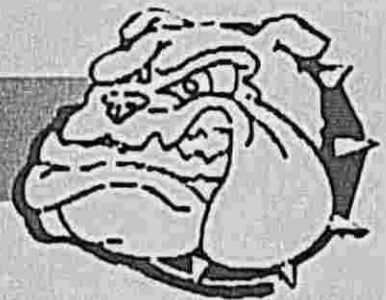
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BULLDOGS 2004 RESULTS

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Sept. 3	at Marengo	L	17-40
Sept. 10	at Mundelein	L	60-17
Sept. 17	Lake Forest	L	28-47
Sept. 25	at Round Lake*	W	24-21
Oct. 2	Zion-Benton*	L	28-27
Oct. 9	at Grant*	L	55-15
Oct. 15	Vernon Hills*	L	28-37
Oct. 22	North Chicago*	L	20-13

Final record: 1-8

*conference game

2005 Wauconda Bulldogs

"With Santella, if it's a long kick, you can guarantee it's going in," Kozlowski said. "He even had an 85-yard punt against Round

Lake. I remember the returner just stood there and watched it sail over his head because he didn't know what to do — it was in the air

for about 70 of those yards."

Whether it's from the legs of Cheng, the hands of Gehrke, Grooms or Angellotti or sharp

shooting from Santella, Kozlowski is betting 2005 just might be Wauconda's time to shine.—By Dan Patrick

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Sept. 9	at Deerfield	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 17	Maine West	1 p.m.
Sept. 24	Maine South*	1 p.m.
Sept. 30	at New Trier*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 8	Niles West*	1 p.m.
Oct. 15	at Evanston*	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 22	Glenbrook South*	1 p.m.

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Coach



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Enthusiasm abounds for Bulldogs

There is something new in the air at Waukegan's summer football practices. Mixed with the smell of sweat, and the occasional football zipping by, the team feels something not found in years past — optimism.

The level and enthusiasm and optimism that Waukegan players are exuding is amazing, said first year coach Pat Jennings. But getting to that level was not easy. Since taking over the program last spring, Jennings has worked with players to get them in shape and get them ready for what should be a very difficult season.

Players were apprehensive at first, Jennings admits. The team had never had strenuous off-season regimens with the previous coaching staff, led by long time head coach John Neff.

"The only way I know to coach is (to be) intense with these kids," Jennings said.

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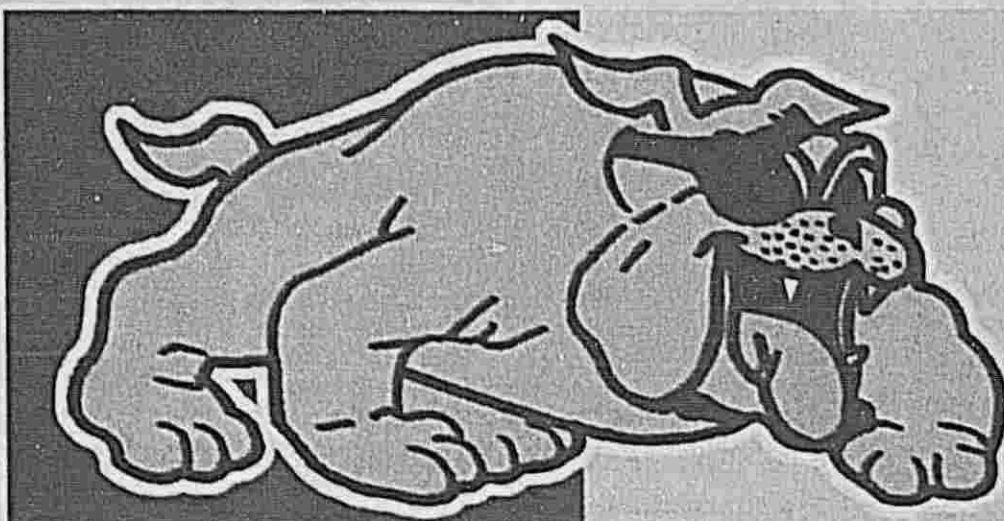
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But this team is not short on talent, Jennings insists. In just one week with the team, he said he has seen players who can step up and be great players in high school.

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is senior linebacker and offensive lineman Dennis Walsh. Walsh (6-3, 230) has more raw talent than Jennings has seen in almost any player. Jennings compares Walsh to current Jacksonville Jaguar defensive end Reggie Hayward, whom he coached at Thornridge High School in Dolton, Ill.

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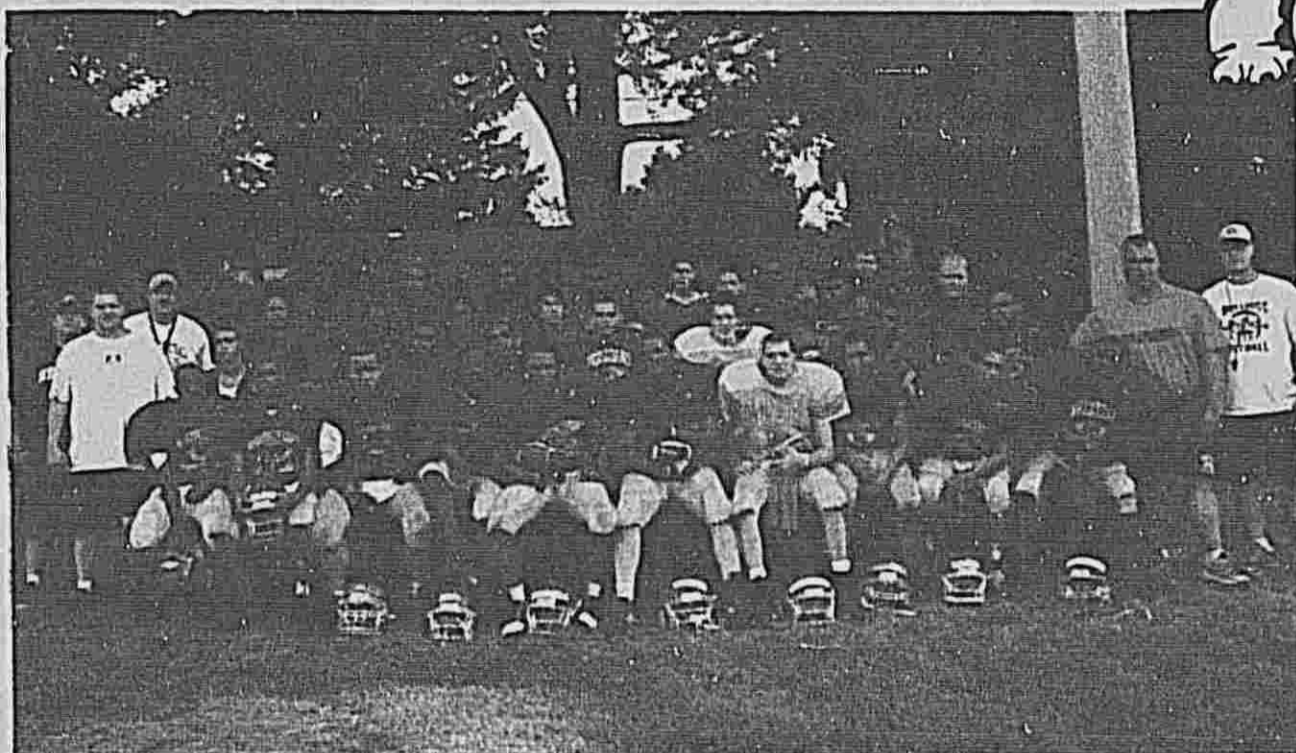
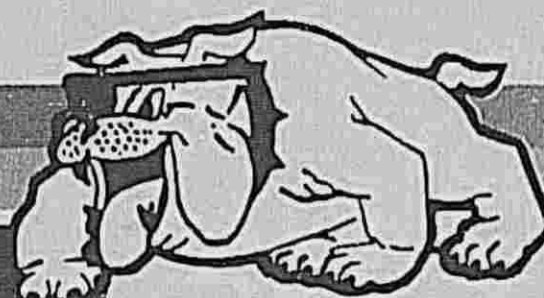
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Sept. 4	Lane Tech	L 37-16
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The backfield will be crowded for

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(FB, LB). Castle comes to the Bulldogs from Lyons Township, where he led his team in tackles and rushing.

"It's a team with talent," Jennings said. "We'll be able to compete with everyone."—By Nicholas Alajakis

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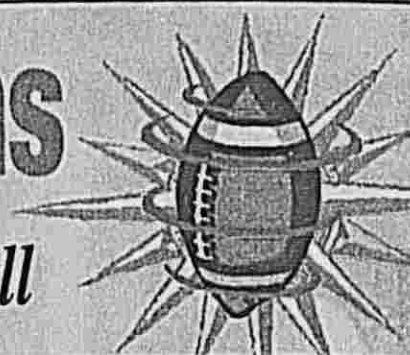
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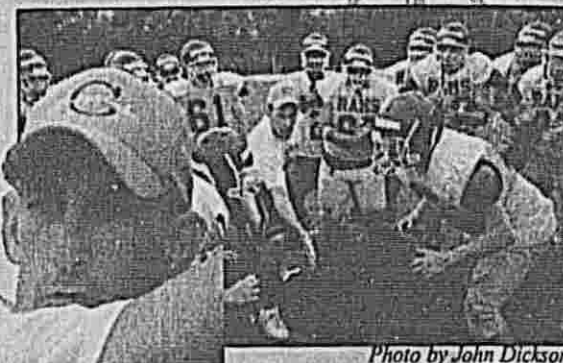


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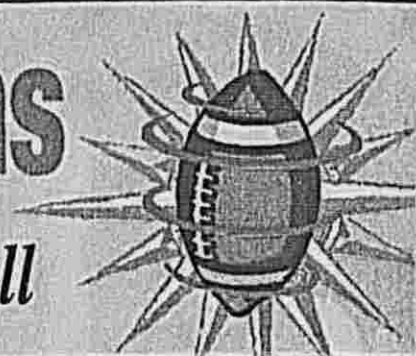
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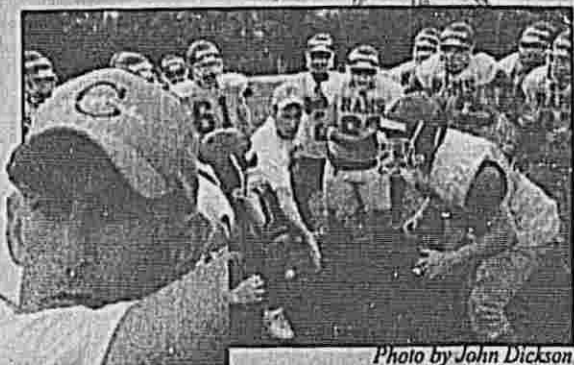


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Though he's demanding of his players, he's remained positive throughout, according to junior Ted Bariamis.

"He's a lot harder in practice than he was in summer camp, but he's a good guy and very enthusiastic," Bariamis said. "The more he pushes us, the more we feel he cares. If he ignored me then I'd start worrying."

Mertens has also impressed upon his players the need to think of themselves as part of a team, rather than individuals.

"The kids need to realize that their actions can affect everyone on the team," Mertens said. "If you don't perform academically, then you won't play and that hurts the team because we have to pick up the slack from somewhere else."

Another problem with being a first-year

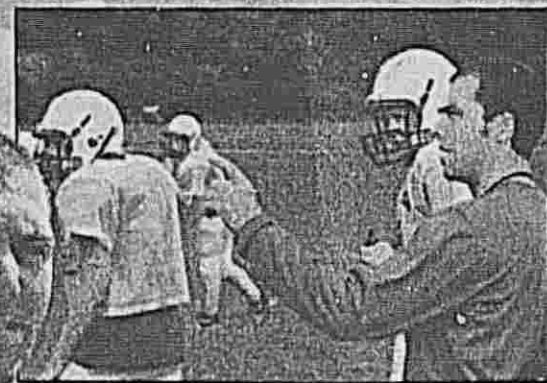


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Lakes Community High School coach Luke Mertens directs his team during a pre-season practice at the Lake Villa School. This is the team's first varsity season.

school is that few of the players have established any kind of a role on the team. Though he considers himself an offensive-minded coach, Mertens has yet to decide on an offensive game plan because he isn't sure of what he has yet in terms of talent.

"This is a totally different experience for me because we're so thin and I'm trying to piece together what I have," said Mertens, who was an offensive assistant at St. Rita and St. Patrick high schools. "We're going to do whatever we're good at and I'm trying to figure that out. I build the system to fit the players, I'm not going to force the players to use a system."

Though Mertens knows the possibilities of an undefeated season and a state title are slim, he does have high expectations for his team's inaugural season.

"If my kids go out there and compete every game and know they left it all out on the field, I'll be a very happy man," he said.

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